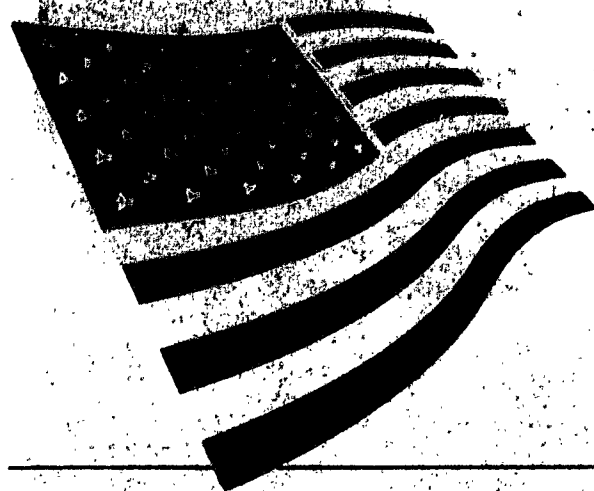


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Black History at Hancock Library

The Bay St. Louis branch honors Hancock's historic black leaders.

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OLA, SSC win soccer titles

Both the Our Lady Academy Crescents and St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws bring home gold.

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Hancock Democratic Committee to meet

The Democratic Committee precinct meeting will be held at the Hancock County Courthouse this Saturday, Feb. 21, to elect delegates to the county convention.

Steak Night at Legion Post 139 in the Bay

Friday Steak Night, February 20th from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 139, Clubhouse, Green Meadow Road. \$10.

Hancock Little League

Hancock County Little League Girls Fastpitch Softball at Lakeshore Field will hold registration on Saturday, February 21st from 10am til 2pm at Waveland Big K-Mart for girls ages 5-18. Registration is \$25 and raffle tickets are available to sell toward the fee. A copy of birth certificate must also be provided. Adult volunteers welcome. For more information call 467-1291 or 467-4220.

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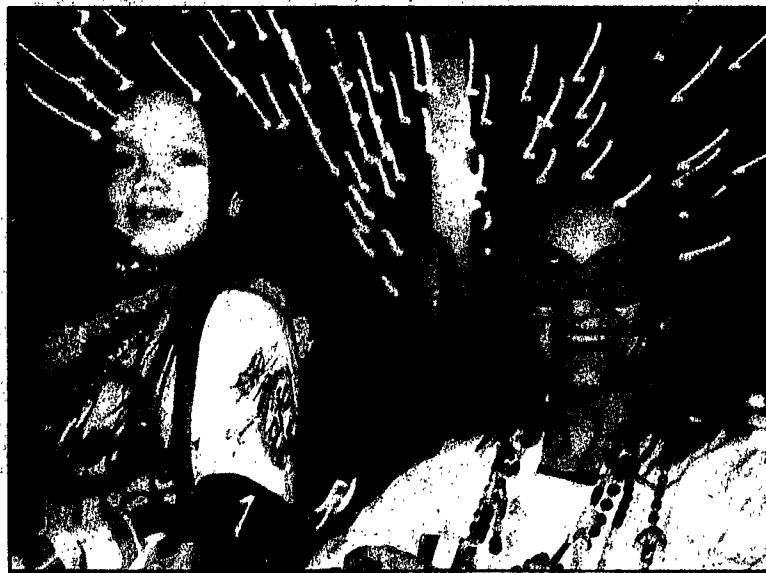


Above: The Captain of the Krewe of Nereids toasts those at Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo's reviewing stand Sunday during the Nereids' annual Mardi Gras Parade. Below: A scene from the Krewe of Selene Parade at Diamondhead. For more Nereids photos, see page 1B. For more Selene photos, see page 2A.

Parades keep rolling on the Gulf Coast

THE SEA COAST ECHO
Mardi Gras is finally here, and the parades continue rolling in Bay St. Louis and Pass Christian. Thousands turned out Sunday afternoon for the annual Krewe of Nereids parade, and hundreds more braved the chilly weather in Diamondhead later that evening for the Krewe of Selene parade.

PARADES--PAGE 6A



Bay, CSX eye rail crossing closings

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Like a distant train's whistle moaning as it heads this way, CSX and state transportation officials are signaling yet another attempt to shut down some local railroad crossings.

"...We would like to review the crossings in your community with you, your City Engineer and a representative of CSX

Transportation, to determine the best course of action that will result in the safest railroad crossing configuration for your community," Steven K. Edwards, Rails Division Engineer with the Mississippi Department of Transportation, said in a recent letter to Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre.

As he recapped the letter Monday to City Council members,

Favre said: "Study... review... Blah. Blah. Consolidating...upgrading...unnecessary or redundant ones would be eliminated."

Council members quickly caught the message - and responded. "I think they're all necessary," said Ward 2 council member Jim Thrifflay. He clearly

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1 dead after fight at parade

Injuries suffered after bystanders 'intervene'

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

A Diamondhead man died Monday from injuries he suffered during an apparent altercation Sunday during the Krewe of Nereids' parade in Waveland.

Bryant Keyes, 42, was pronounced dead at 8:50 Monday evening at a Slidell hospital.

According to a statement issued by Waveland Police Chief James Varnell before Keyes' death Monday, his department responded at around 4:30 p.m. Sunday to a report that there was "an assault in progress in the area of the entrance/exit to Sav-A-Center on Hwy. 603. Upon officers arrival, they found a group of people that were involved in a physical and verbal altercation."

Three of the people involved were treated by personnel from American Medical Response, Varnell said. Keyes was transported to Hancock Medical

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D'head bank suspect still on the loose

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The FBI is leading the investigation of a Tuesday afternoon robbery of the Diamondhead Peoples Bank, according to Hancock Sheriff's Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt.

"Around 2:27 p.m. Tuesday, a white male, 6' 1" to 6' 2" tall, approximately 250 pounds, walked into the Peoples Bank, handed a note to a teller that demanded money. He was given and undetermined amount of money," Hurt said.



A bank security camera still photo of the suspect in Tuesday's robbery of Peoples Bank.

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Mardi Gras
was celebrated
Diamondhead
style on the
night of Feb. 15

Echo staff photos by
Geoff Belcher



Navy proposes to purchase acreage for training facility

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Only two people stood up to comment on a proposed special forces training facility in the Buffer Zone at Stennis Space Center.

The Navy is proposing to purchase 5,200 acres of privately owned land at the northwest corner of the Stennis fee area along the Pearl River.

A Pearl River resident, who said she lived along the Pearl River, told Navy consultants that she was concerned about noise along the river and the erosion of river front because of boating activities and proposed riverine helicopter activities.

Another resident, who said he had served in the military, spoke out in favor of the facility because it would provide close proximity training to the Special Forces unit stationed at Stennis.

About half the property, 2,750 acres is owned by the Nature Conservancy, who were well into the process of the purchase of the land when they heard of the Navy's plans.

An extensive plan for the restoration of the Mike's Island area has been completed by the organization. They are currently in touch with the Navy with the

hopes of continuing the project. Should the sale of the property become imminent, the Conservancy would use dollars to buy other land in the county, they said.

At the Board of Supervisors meeting on Friday Nature Conservancy representative Cynthia Ramseur said that Representative Gene Taylor had assured the agency that property acquisition for the proposed training facility would not be gained by imminent domain and that negotiations for the sale of property would only take place with willing property owners.

Some other property is owned by private business owners who run sand and gravel, timber and turf operations. One land owner operates a recreational area.

If the Navy decides to locate the training facility in the proposed area the business owners stand to lose just over a million dol-

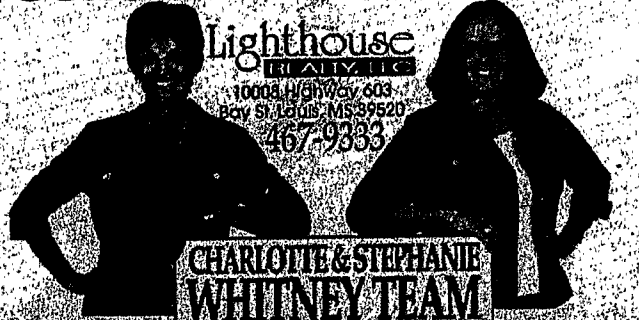
lars in gross revenue from the businesses. The business would be closed if the facility goes forward. Hancock County stands to lose about \$21,000 in property tax revenues.

Possible revenues associated with the training facility could bring in anywhere from \$200,000 to \$2.5 million to the area, which includes, Hancock, Harrison, Pearl River Counties and St. Tammany Parish, said Navy consultants, much of which would be a result of fuel sales at Stennis International Airport.

Written comments should be mailed by March 15 to Commanding Officer, Southern Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P.O. Box 190010, North Charleston, South Carolina, SC 294199010, Attention Richard A. Davis, Code ES12/RD.

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Black History Month observance

Influential black leaders topic of library program

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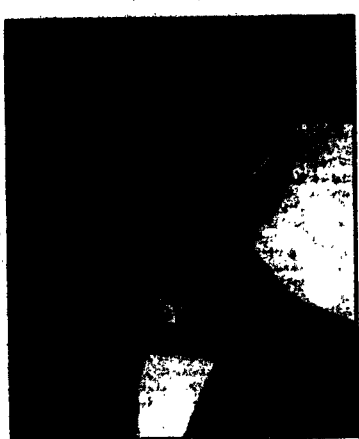
Hancock County has a claim to state, national and international fame through many of the Influential Black Leaders in Hancock County, the title of a program for Black History Month at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library on Thursday, February 19, at 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, the program will be held in the Seal Meeting Room.

Marian T. Martin, Executive Director of Gulfside Assembly in Waveland, and Marilyn Smith, Bay St. Louis native and retired teacher, are the featured speakers for the program.

"Hancock County has produced several influential black leaders, said Prima Plauché, Hancock County Library System Director, "and we are pleased to be able to let the community know about these leaders and their accomplishments."

Bishop Robert E. Jones is just one of the many black leaders to be highlighted. He was the first black Methodist Bishop and founder of Gulfside Methodist Assembly in Waveland. He was married to Valena C. Jones, a Bay St. Louis native and an educator in New Orleans and Bay St. Louis. The Bay St. Louis elementary black school, which now houses the Bay St. Louis Police and Fire Departments, was named for Valena C. Jones. She was also the fourth black for whom a New Orleans public school was named.

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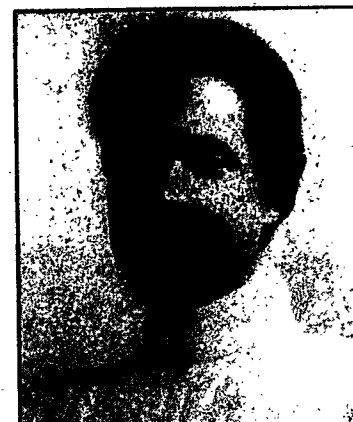
Bishop Robert E. Jones



"Papa Joe" Labat



Rev. John W. Bowman



Valena C. Jones

nationally renown black sculptor and Bay St. Louis native, has statues in marble, bronze and stone in museums and private collections in France, England, Germany, India and half dozen other foreign countries. His works are permanently displayed in the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Whitney Museum in New York, as well as many other major museums in the United States. Four of his bronze sculptures from a private family collection are on permanent display at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, along with a fifth bust owned by the library

itself. Joseph "Papa Joe" Labat was an early 20th century builder. His works include St. Rose De Lima Church and rectory; Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church; Gulfside Assembly Chapel and buildings; the early buildings of St. Augustine Seminary; and numerous homes along the beachfront. He was able to provide economic development for the local businesses because of his extensive contracting works.

Rev. John W. Bowman, S.V.D., was the first black priest to be assigned parish work in Mississippi, and

established the first Catholic Church in the all black town of Mound Bayou, Mississippi. He also worked at St. Rose De Lima Church for five years, where he built the new St. Rose De Lima High School.

Louis J. Piernas was born in Bay St. Louis in 1856, and served in many municipal capacities during his 98 years. He was chairman of the Hancock County Republican Party for 65 years. This long service was rewarded in 1898, when he was appointed Bay St. Louis Postmaster. He was appointed to this position on five separate occasions by three presidents. During reconstruction, Piernas served as a Hancock County Supervisor for Beat 5. He was the city's secretary and auditor, a member of the school's Board of Trustees, and was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Chicago.

Others leaders to be highlighted at the program include Douglas Williams, the first black police chief in the state; Andrew Lizana, one of the first two black firefighters in the state; Geraldine Lang, the first chairman of the Hancock County Task Force for Save Our Children; Albert Fairconnetue, the founder of the Hancock County NAACP and the Headstart program; and many more.

The public is invited to the program, and more information is available by calling Jamie Elston at 467-5282.

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Clarke program set Feb. 28

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

For the past 21 years the Hancock County NAACP, working in conjunction with the Clarke family, have been proud to sponsor the Annual Thomas P. Clarke Memorial Black History Month Program in conjunction with Black History Month.

The program seeks to inspire the youth of Hancock County to remember and be proud of their racial and ethnic heritage by honoring the achievements of special people or by demonstrating their own special gifts.

This year the program will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28, at 1 p.m. at the Train Depot in Bay St. Louis. Youth between the ages of nine and nineteen are invited to participate. Registration deadline is February 25.

All participants will also be required to attend one of

two rehearsals to be held on Friday, February 20 or Wednesday, February 25, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the St. Rose Church Parish Hall at 301 Necaise Ave.

Registration and rehearsals are a must. There is no cost for participation and awards will be given to all with special awards for top winners.

Contributions by businesses, civic organizations, and individuals to cover the expense of trophies, savings bonds, prizes and other expenses are appreciated. Checks should be made payable to the Hancock County NAACP at P.O. Box 125, BSL, MS 39520.

If youth are our future, says program chairman William Johnson, then their guidance and upbringing is a serious business and the highest priority should be given to providing the best environment possible for our children to grow up and prosper and to become productive citizens.

Towards this goal, the

Black History program is an investment that has paid great dividends and is a rewarding experience for the youth of the county.

Black History Month was created to recall the contributions of African Americans in history, industry, the arts, sciences and all aspects of black culture.

Through their research for the program, participants have the opportunity to see that success has no color and begin to think about the infinite possibilities open to them to become the next Oprah Winfrey, Colin Powell, or Michael Jordan, or in Hancock County, the next Tank Williams or Nathaniel Fairconnetue, or to follow in the footsteps of a beloved parent or grandparent who was special in their own way.

For more information on the program call Donna Holton at 466-0973, Goldie Fairconnetue at 467-4126, or Lonnie Bradley at 467-6770.

Locals lodge complaints about new sand beach

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Clermont Harbor residents Millie Usher and Larry Peterson and local fishermen lodged their complaints about the new sand beach with Hancock County Supervisors Wednesday.

Usher and Peterson said that dredge boats are too close to the shore and will cause a dangerous situation when swimmers return in the summer expecting shallow water where there will now be a deep hole.

Usher said the dredge was stealing sand from a small beach located between Forest Ave. and Heron St. that served as a swimming

area for the neighborhood.

Fishermen said that jetties constructed to hold back sand are not long enough to accomplish their purpose, that sand will seep into Bayou Caddy and Sand Bayou, interfering with fishing operations and fish movement.

A Northeast wind coupled with a rising tide would send the sand into the bayou, a fisherman said. Gerald Gex, a consultant for the project, said that the dredge boat was located at least 1,000 ft. from the shore as permits required.

He also said that computerized technology ensured that the dredge area would maintain a 1 to 10 slope,

thus ensuring that the drop off in the dredge area was a gradual one.

Supervisors said they would drive to the site at Bayou Caddy to make sure that guidelines were being followed.

In other business: District 1 Supervisor David Yarborough made four new appointments, G. W. Graham to the Hancock County Water and Sewer Board, Anthony Sahuque to the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission District 1, Ray Ladner to the Hancock County Planning and Zoning Commission and Steve Munson to the Parks and Recreation Board.

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Nice day for a parade

One would never have guessed on Saturday that Sunday would have been such a good day for a parade.

Of course, it was a bit cool because of the wind gusts, but far superior to the rainy Saturday.

One almost gets the idea that the Krewe of Nereids Captain just waves her hand, the clouds part and out comes the sunshine.

All indications are that everyone had a great time and the parade route was probably lined with a record number of parade goers.

Once again the Krewe of Nereids gave the community a splendid parade.

Well. Mardi Gras parades are not over with yet, as we have several more area parades coming up in the next five days.

At noon on Saturday, the Krewe of Diamondhead is set to roll.

The Krewe of Diamondhead's parade is always a great event and has a large number of units.

The parade route through Diamondhead's main drag to the Country Club has a lot of great viewing opportunities with the medians and road shoulders.

Lots and lots of beads, etc. are thrown too.

Sunday is Pass Christian's St. Paul Carnival Associations Annual Mardi Gras parade.

Folks come from near and away to visit this long running parade.

It is a family affair with many families carrying on a tradition of having a family float in the parade for several generations.

The Pass parade forms on Davis Avenue, travels West on the scenic drive, then Highway 90 to Henderson, Second and down to St. Paul's Ave. to disband.

On Mardi Gras Day,

Tuesday, February 24, in Bay St. Louis, the Krewe of Real People takes the spotlight.

Real People forms on Bookter Street, Bookter to Necaise, Necaise to Main, Main to Beach Boulevard, Beach Union, Union to Third, Third to Sycamore, Sycamore to Old Spanish Trail, OST to Bookter to disband.

This year's theme for Real People is "Fantastic Voyage."

Groups interested in possibly joining the parade, can contact Captain, Kimberly Bradley at 466-4878, or line up coordinator Pat Tice at 467-9543.

In addition to the local parades, there are still several in Gulfport, Biloxi, Mobile and New Orleans.

Have a great Mardi Gras time.

This evening from 5 to 7 p.m., the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours will take place at Advantage Title, Inc., 1011 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis.

In addition to the After Hours, there will be a grand opening and ribbon cutting for Advantage Title, Inc.

This is a good time for folks to renew old and make new acquaintances.

This being the Mardi Gras season, I am sure the theme "Let the Good Times Role" will be taking place at the After Hours.

I hope to see you there this evening.

Everyone involved with the cleanup of Highway 90 following Sunday's parade really need to be commended on the job they performed.

I have had comments from several folks, as early as Monday night about the fast cleanup.

Thanks to all involved for a job well done.

Mississippians among black farmers making restitution claims against USDA

As blues legend Robert Johnson sang ... "I got stones in my passway, and my road seem dark as night..." Quitman County black farmer Henry Woodard had every barrier possible thrown in his way trying to get an FmHA farm loan.

That was in the 1980s. For three years Woodard, then in his late 20s, doggedly pursued without success a \$199,580 federal farm loan to raise soybeans and cotton on 1150 acres he leased, mind you, from the state of Mississippi.

Now, a monumental 1999

federal court decree upholding a class action racial discrimination lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Agriculture, reveals that Johnson was just one of thousands of black farmers across the South (some elsewhere) denied federal farm loans because of their race.

In almost every instance, a predominately white county FmHA (Farmers Home Administration)



Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

filed racial discrimination complaints between 1983 and 1997.

Some 22,000 black farmers -- 3,400 of them from

Committee had thwarted efforts by black farmers to obtain federal loans and credit.

The largest civil rights award in this nation's history, the decree against USDA has opened the way for African-American farmers to recover damages both in money and debt forgiveness if they

Mississippi -- have made restitution claims against the USDA under the decree. So far, over 13,000 claims have been settled for \$880 million, with more to come before the 2005 deadline.

Amazingly, the black farmers' story has gone virtually unnoticed by the national news media.

The good news in Mississippi is that Henry Woodard, now 38, in recent months won a \$578,000 judgment against the USDA for loss of farming income and damage to his credit.

Believed to be the largest single settlement thus far

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New Hancock uniform policy goes too far

Dear Editor,

As a parent of three children in the Hancock County School System, I am proud to say that our schools offer a quality education in a safe, and stimulating environment.

Our staff members and administrators are well trained, innovative and dedicated to helping each student achieve their maximum potential. Our students excel in athletics the arts and academics as evidenced by recent students gaining acceptance to the U.S. Naval Academy and Yale University.

I am lucky to have my children attend schools where parent participation is welcome. As a volunteer in the Hancock County Schools, I have the opportunity to see how good the students are and how well run the schools are.

For this reason I am confused about the need for the recently adopted

school uniform code. I have to wonder why it is necessary to institute such a drastic policy change in a school system where students are meeting yearly progress goals and severe discipline problems do not exist? What scientific research exists that shows a uniform code will have a positive effect on test scores, attendance, discipline and life-long earning potential? What will the costs be in terms of enforcement of the policy as well as providing uniforms for needy students?

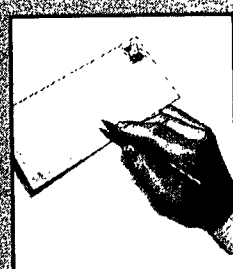
I encourage parents to attend the community forum on Thursday Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. at Hancock Middle School to discuss the issues pertaining to the uniform code.

I ask the school board to answer parent's concerns about the uniform code and to decide if a uniform code is necessary or if a simplified, enforceable

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



Strengthen animal cruelty legislation

To the Editor,
A person throws a puppy into a bonfire on Halloween in front of children. A person takes a family's pet, ties it to a tree and shoots it, wagging tail and all, at point-blank range with a shotgun. Eighteen starving horses are finally taken from a woman after years

of complaints by neighbors who had to look at the bones their dogs retrieved from her property, and a man puts a 2-month-old fawn in a pen with Rottweilers.

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made, Woodard's case was pushed by Jackson attorney Ken Barton, a member of Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC, one of Mississippi's most prestigious law firms which has some of the most racially conservative attorneys.

"I'm more proud of what we did in Henry Woodard's case than anything I've done in the 31 years I have been a member of our firm," says Barton. "It was just the right thing to do."

Butler, Snow was among six law firms (the only one from Mississippi) who took on handling the huge volume of cases that came out of the court decree in the class action suit by African American farmers.

All attorneys in the case had agreed that no fees for their services would come out of the farmers' settlements, and their only compensation would have to be awarded by the court.

A minimal sum was approved a year ago for fees that Barton says doesn't actually come close to covering the \$250,000 in time

and expenses his firm has invested.

They became involved, Barton said, after Mike Espy, the former congressman and Secretary of Agriculture, joined the firm four years ago and brought the case to their attention, saying the small firms that initially brought the lawsuit couldn't handle the thousands of eligible claims.

Thus Butler, Snow embarked on a huge labor-of-love undertaking, with Barton becoming the lead counsel, pitching in to work on claims not only from Mississippi but from other states as well.

The decree provides a two-track settlement plan:

- Track A requires farmers to meet a lower standard of proof of discrimination and puts a \$50,000 cap on recoverable damages.

- Track B, for those who claim they were victims of extreme USDA wrongdoing, requires a higher standard of proof to receive larger damages.

Barton said the U.S. Justice Department has

fought settlement of farmers' claims "every step of the way," even more so against larger awards under Track B.

Thus far, some 99 percent of black farmers have opted for the blanket \$50,000 settlement under Track A, which additionally provides \$12,500 for income tax on the money, and forgives any debt they owe the USDA.

Farmers who made claims under Track A have had a 61 percent success rate in winning awards, while under Track B only 72 settlements out of 182 claims have been made, totaling \$7.2 million.

Some 2,700 African-American farmers from Mississippi have been awarded \$161.3 million in cash settlements under Track A, by the decree adjudicator.

Significantly, Woodard, who opted for Track B, is one of only 16 farmers nationally whose claim has been upheld in a mini-trial before a court-appointed arbitrator.

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ple who committed these crimes got away with it.

Almost three years has gone by since the Mississippi Supreme Court struck down part of Mississippi's animal cruelty statute as being vague. Despite this clear message from the court that the legislature needs to write a clear and concise law, it hasn't acted.

Had these people been residents of Louisiana, they could have done 10 years in the state penitentiary and paid a \$25,000 fine. Why? Because Louisiana, like 41 other states, recognizes that animal abuse is a serious crime, needing a serious remedy.

According to the Bulletin of the U.S. Department of Justice, there is a strong connection between animal cruelty and other violent crimes, including homicide, domestic violence, child and elder abuse. Particularly noteworthy to Mississippi law enforcement is the finding that there is a high correlation between animal cruelty and juvenile crime.

Legislators agonizing

over economic development shouldn't dismiss this issue.

Quality-of-life is an important factor in keeping business in the state.

Business may be lured here with economic incentives, but it won't stay here unless the quality-of-life meets expectations. Animal abuse doesn't just affect animals. It affects people; it affects the community. It ripples out in ugly rings.

Representative Daniel Guice has introduced bill No. 790 to bring Mississippi's laws up-to-date, in keeping with other states and the needs of a growing population.

We proposed this legislation after a tidal wave of demand, and we urge everyone who cares about a good image for Mississippi to help us get it passed. For more information, or to get petitions, call 888-268-4682.

David W. Winter
Concerned Citizens For Animals
Ocean Springs

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dress code could be developed that would serve the same purpose.

Whatever the outcome of this forum, I hope that parents will help their children to accept the decisions our administration makes.

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teach our children to attend school everyday, respect their teachers and be the best they can. We must strive for a united school district not a divided one. Hawk Pride!

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TOPS 233

TOPS, MS 233 met Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the Waveland Methodist Church located on Central Avenue and Vacation Lane in Waveland, Ms.

TOPS best loser for the week was Denise with a loss of 1-1/4 lbs. KOPS best loser for the week was Rose. Youth best loser for the week was Stephon with a loss of 1 lb.

There were 11 members present. Gift was won by Shirley. Incentive was won by Jeanette. Mary will receive charm for a six week consecutive loss.

Congratulations.

Contest was won by Beverly. Mary was so close she was presented with a gift.

TOPS, MS, 233 meet every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weigh-in is from 5-6 pm with the meeting following.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS MS 233 chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Charlotte at 228-467-5790.

TOPS 307

Take Off Pounds Sensible (TOPS) MS #307, Waveland, met Wednesday, Jan. 21, at Triumphant Christian Church. Eleven members were present. Johanna was the weekly best loser with 3-3/4 lbs. Paula was the top KOPS. Johanna received the incentive award.

Rhonda presented the program. Rhonda is a Certified Personal Trainer and has been a great help to all of us.

We welcomed Debbie this week.

The Chapter meets every Wednesday mornings at the Triumphant Church located at 1807 Waveland Ave., Waveland. Weigh-ins are from 9-9:30 with the meet-

ing to follow. Anyone interested in losing weight is welcome to visit the chapter. Call Sherri at 228-467-3798.

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Parades -- Mardi Gras schedules

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The fun continues in Bay St. Louis this week with the 24th annual Bay Catholic Elementary School Mardi Gras parade.

The parade begins at noon. "Mardi Gras Celebrations Around the World" will be its theme, with students dressed in costumes representing their chosen countries.

Reigning over this year's parade will be sixth grade King Harry Liverett, son of Greg and Patti Liverett; and Queen Abigail Simpson, daughter of Bobby and Lisa Simpson.

Pages for the parade are Matthew Saucier, son of Bob and Georgia Saucier; Madison Warren, daughter

of Steven and Jamie Warren; Patrick Asher, son of Terry and Leslie Asher; and Rachel Muse, daughter of Rob and Patrice Muse.

Coming up on Saturday, the Krewe of Diamondhead will parade from the Diamondhead Community Center to the front gate, east on County Road to the new country club.

On Sunday, the St. Paul Carnival Association Mardi Gras parade rolls at 1 p.m., beginning at at Davis and Handy Street, in Pass Christian. For more information on that parade, call 452-7359.

Other parades coming up include:

**FEB 21
JACKSON COUNTY
CARNIVAL ASSOC.
MARDI GRAS PARADE**
1:00pm parade, Market Street, Jackson Avenue and Pascagoula Street in downtown Pascagoula. (228) 497-3269.

**FEB 21
KREWE OF GEMINI
(DAY PARADE)**
2 pm, 19th Street and 25th Avenue, Gulfport. (228) 864-3584.

**FEB 22
NORTH BAY MARDI
GRAS PARADE**
St. Martin Library on LeMoine Blvd will wind its

way through the D'Iberville Township. (228) 396-3076, 392-4585.

**FEB 23
GULF COAST CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION
CORONATION BALL**
King d'Iberville and Queen Ixolib crowned to reign over Mardi Gras 2002. Maids, dukes, and past royalty are presented. 8 pm - 1 am. Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center. (228) 432-8806.

**FEB 24
GULF COAST CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION
(DAY PARADE)**

11 am, US 90, Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, and Main Street, Biloxi. (228) 432-8806.

**FEB 24
KREWE OF NEPTUNE
PARADE**
3 pm, Main Street, Highway 90, Lamouse St, Washington Loop, Reynoir St, Porter Ave, Howard Ave, Biloxi. (228) 818-0230.

**FEB 24
KREWE OF REAL
PEOPLE**
1pm, Main Street, Railroad Street and Old Spanish Trail, Bay St. Louis. (228) 467-2247, 467-4768.

**FEB 24
KREWE OF GEMINI
NIGHT PARADE**
6 pm, "Mystical Magic" 13th Street, 15th Street, Highway 49, 15th Street, 21st Ave, 24th Ave, 17th Street, Gulfport. (228) 864-3584.

**FEB 24
GULF COAST CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION
NIGHT PARADE**
5:30pm, "The World of Adventure" Main Street, Lamouse St, Martin Luther King Jr., Reynoir St, Highway 90, Porter Ave, Howard Ave, Biloxi. (228) 432-8806.

Crossings -- CSX & the Bay

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had council's consensus with that remark. Favre invited them to an upcoming meeting on the subject.

The issue of railroad crossing closings has been a highly controversial one in recent years, at times drawing throngs of citizens to City Hall to protest the concept of terminating streets to accommodate trains. While extremely unpopular politically, closings have

been high on the CSX agenda as a safety must.

The matter surfaced, for instance, when the city wanted CSX's permission to cross the tracks with a bike path several years ago. CSX refused permission, saying in part that the city hadn't cooperated with rail crossing closing requests. Municipal officials didn't budge, however, and reconfigured the bike path to

avoid the tracks.

Crossing closures also cropped up when Bay St. Louis needed to work in railroad right-of-way for drainage improvements. Again, the city didn't budge, and ultimately got the right-of-way it needed for the project.

Now resurfacing, the issue is set for discussion Feb. 25 in a meeting among CSX, DOT and city officials.

Edwards said in his letter that DOT and CSX are "proposing to study the total system of railroad crossings within Bay St. Louis and Hancock County. Therefore, we would like to review the crossings in your community ... to determine the best course of action that will result in the safest railroad crossing configuration for your community."

Edwards said the study would result in "consolidation of grade crossings," so that those which are "necessary for basic transportation services" will be upgraded with flashing light signals and gates. Those that aren't necessary, he said "would be eliminated and reasonable improvements would be undertaken to mitigate the impact of a

crossing elimination."

It is not clear from the letter whether the "study" already has been completed or is only proposed at this point.

CSX's busy tracks meander right through the heart of Bay St. Louis' business and residential areas, slice along the edge of Waveland, and cut through lower Hancock County.

Water & Sewer to re-bid Phase 2 of water project

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The Hancock County Water and Sewer District is in the process of re-bidding its Phase 2 water project. Previous bids came in too high and were rejected.

New bids will be opened on March 12. The project will add 546 new customers, down from the originally proposed 598.

The revised project structure will eliminate customers on Washington Ave. and some streets in the Garden Isles subdivision.

In other business:

- New samples will go to Calgon this week to re-evaluate the use of carbon filters which will eliminate the brownish color to the water in the Phase I water project. The filter system will also treat water going to Phase 2 customers when they come on line.

Officials at the district are working with Calgon to determine how often filters will need to be changed in order to come

up with a final cost for the contract with the company. DEQ officials are scheduled to make a site visit to inspect the water system and hopefully issue a permit for the new filter system.

- New figures show that the loss of water being experienced in the Phase I water system is well within the national average. Previous numbers indicated that the system was losing an excessive amount of water, leading officials to conclude that either fire hydrants were being drained without their knowledge or that there was a problem with leaks in the system. Average loss in a water system is 11 percent, with Phase I showing a loss of 10 percent.

- Commissioners worked last week to set up a new system of fees and deposits for commercial customers. It was decided that commercial customers will continue to pay a tap fee of \$3,000 and a \$45/month usage fee for each hookup. For small operations commercial

customers would pay a deposit of three times the monthly usage fee, or \$135, with larger users paying a maximum of a \$500 deposit. The new fee schedule would be effective as of Feb. 13 and would not be retroactive, board members said.

Line inspections for residential use would be \$50, with commercial inspections charged \$100. Inspections would ensure that the correct materials are used to hook the building to the district's lines. Inspections would not indicate that the equipment had been installed correctly. Customers would be responsible for installing lines properly from their building to the district's lines.

- Commissioners also discussed reassessing some fees for a number of trailer parks that entered the district's service through an old contract agreement. These customers are paying usage fees as low as \$14/mo. for wastewater treatment. The district charges most customers \$35/mo. for wastewater treatment.

Death

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Center before he was transferred to Slidell.

"Responding officers gathered statements from witnesses that there was a domestic situation that occurred between several

people in the area," according to a statement issued Tuesday by Assistant District Attorney Chris Schmidt. "Further investigation reveals that bystanders to the domestic situation intervened and in the course of intervening, Bryant Keyes was struck in the head and fell unconscious."

Schmidt said that forensic pathologist Dr. Paul

McGarry performed an autopsy Tuesday, and the "results will be released upon conclusion of the death investigation by Hancock County Coroner Norma Stiglet."

The investigation is ongoing, Schmidt said, and "charging decisions will be made after all available evidence has been gathered."

No arrests have been made in the case.

Bank

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Kurt continued, "The suspect left the building and fled in an orange colored Firebird and traveled in an unknown direction."

Hancock Sheriff's investigators John Luther, Andre Fizer, Matt Barnett and Deron Cuevas, responded to the bank and notified the FBI, Hurt said.

Anyone with information on the bank robbery may call the Hancock County Sheriff's office at 228-467-5101, or 601-798-8555.

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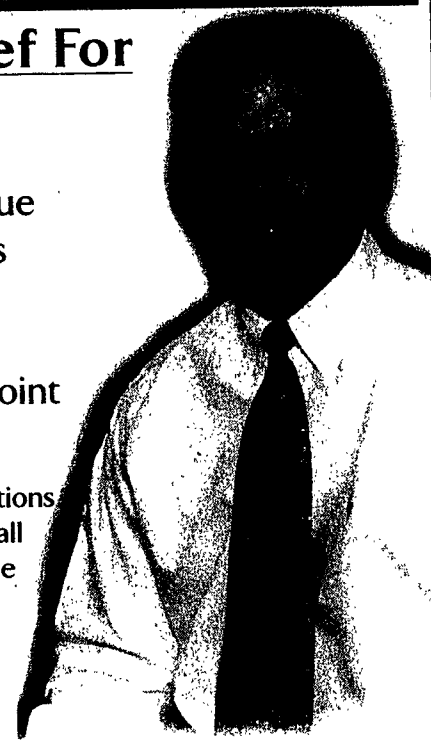
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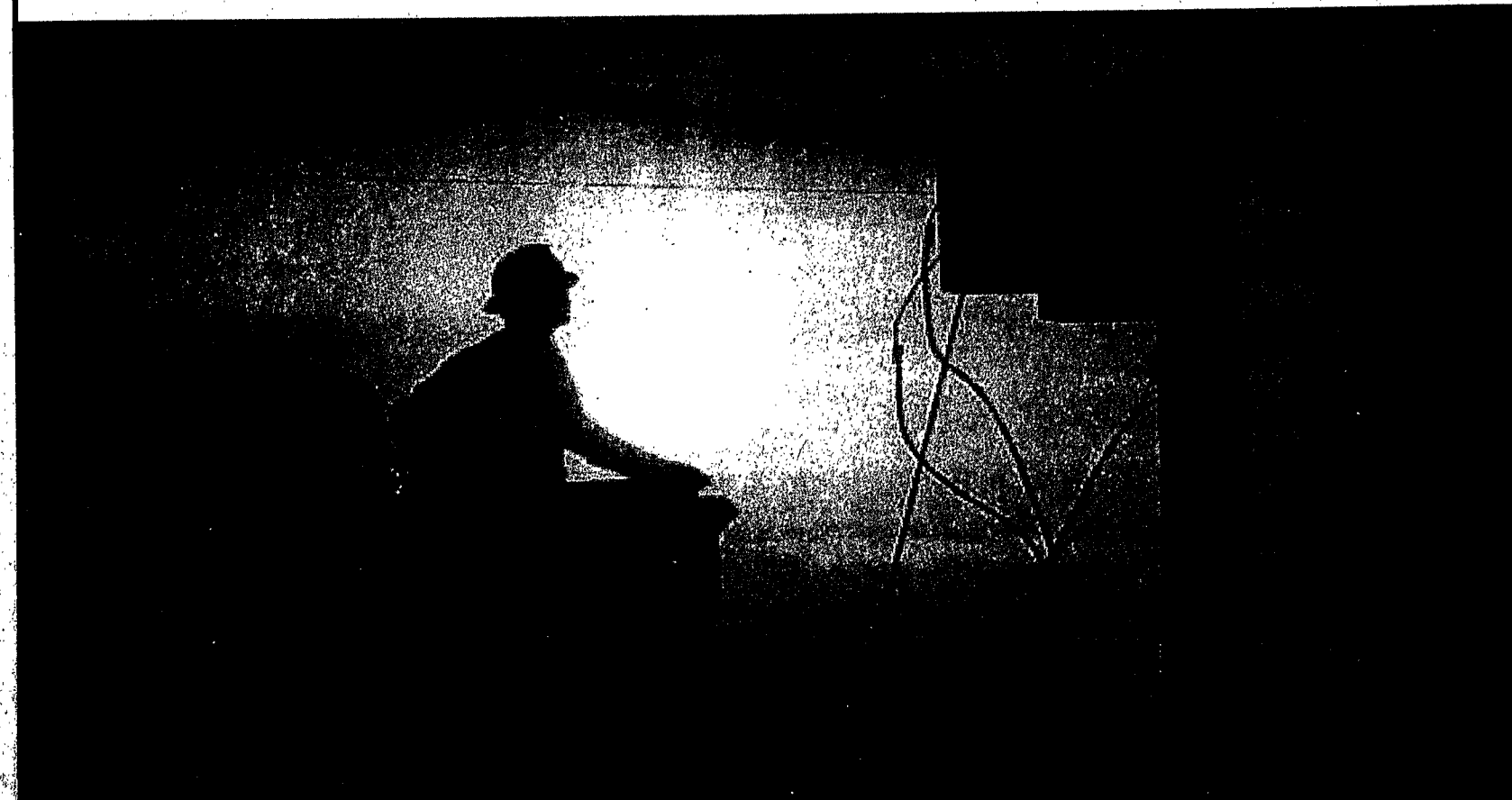
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Computers, healthcare are state's fastest growing jobs

What jobs are hot in Mississippi? According to reports from the Mississippi Employment Security Commission (MESC), the top ten jobs that will grow most rapidly are in the healthcare and computer fields.

The top spot belongs to the computer support specialist. The need for this job is expected to grow by 87 percent in the next six years. A computer support specialist provides technical assistance to computer users by answering questions or resolving computer problems. The annual salary is \$34,110. (All salaries are Mississippi

mean annual salaries.)

The second fastest growing occupation is a computer software engineer, systems software, a job that is expected to grow by 70 percent. This job involves research, design, development and testing of operating systems-level software. The salary is \$63,490.

The third fastest growing job is that of home health aide, a job in which routine personal healthcare such as bathing and dressing of the elderly or disabled is done. The salary is \$18,010.

The job of medical assistant comes in as the fourth fastest growing job. The medical assistant performs

administrative and clinical duties such as scheduling appointments, maintaining medical records and billing. The salary is \$20,560.

Two computer-related jobs are the fifth and sixth fastest growing occupations. Computer software engineers, applications is fifth and network and computer systems administrators hold the sixth spot. The software engineer develops, creates and modifies general computer applications software and the network and computer systems administrator installs, configures and supports an organization's local area network or wide area network. The

salary for the software engineer is \$53,250 and is \$43,430 for the systems administrator.

The remaining four fastest growing jobs are found in the healthcare field. Seventh is a personal and home care aide who assists elderly or disabled adults with daily living activities. The salary is \$14,840. Eighth is a medical records and health information technician who compiles, processes and maintains medical records and who makes a salary of \$21,380. The speech-language pathologist who assesses and treats persons with speech and language disorders is the ninth fastest growing job. The salary is \$43,230. And the

tenth fastest growing job is the dental hygienist who cleans teeth. The salary is \$34,820.

The projections are compiled by the MESC Labor Market Information Department by surveying the hiring needs of employers and figuring in factors from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics that measure industry growth or decline.

Seven out of the 10 hottest jobs require education beyond high school. This comes at a time when 83 percent of Mississippians do not have a college degree and one in four adults don't have a high school diploma or GED.

PRCC providing training at Stennis Space Center

Pearl River Community College is the training provider for some specialized training classes going on this week at Stennis Space Center.

Geodatabase I training classes are designed to help participants discover the capabilities of the geodatabase and how to migrate existing data to build a geodatabase for ArcGIS 8.3.

In Geodatabase I, the course addresses loading data into the geodatabase; defining appropriate topology rules; and maintaining data integrity through subtypes, attribute domains, and relationship classes.

Participants learn how to create, use, edit, and manage spatial and attribute data stored in the geodatabase.

In the second class, Building Geodatabases II, participants extend the content of Building Geodatabases I with advanced understanding for modeling and working with linear features in the geodatabase.

This course teaches the nuances of working in geometric networks. Participants learn how to create, edit, and perform analyses on geometric networks; how to manage linear-referenced data for displaying data that occurs

along linear features; how to edit linear features in the field using ArcPad; and how to migrate coverage arcs, routes, and events to the geodatabase.

The classes are being held in the Visualization Lab at Center for Higher Learning at Stennis Space Center. The Visualization Lab is a partnership between USM and PRCC.

USM provides the space and technical support. PRCC provides the training equipment and is the ESRI Authorized Education Partner. ESRI stands for Environmental Systems Research Institute.

"This is the type of training necessary to prepare persons to use GIS technology in a variety of problem-solving scenarios," said

Tracie Fowler, programs coordinator for PRCC's Advanced Technology Center.

"Pearl River Community College, working with the ESRI organization, is a leader in the effort to spread the use of this technology for commercial purposes throughout Mississippi."

"Training in the GIS, GPS and Remote Sensing technologies will be a principal feature of the ATC that will serve the needs of South Mississippi."

The instructor, Peter

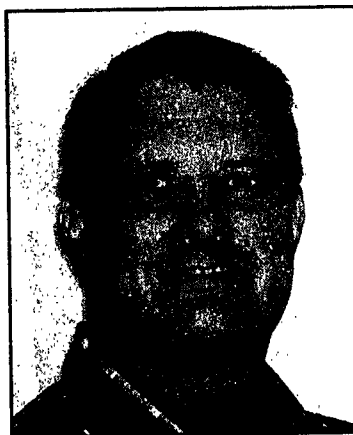
Kasianchuk, comes from ESRI's world headquarters in Redland, Calif.

Participants in the class come from many different industries such as the NOAA, National Coastal Data Development Center, NAVO, General Dynamics, Dungen Engineering, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

Beech completes loss control training

Coast Electric's Safety and Training Coordinator Rodney Beech has completed an intensive program in electric utility safety and loss control. The Loss Control Internship is a series of workshops offered by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association in conjunction with the National Utility Training & Safety Education Association. The program is designed to instruct participants in many areas related to electric utility industry safety.

According to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 6.2 million injuries occur annually in the workplace. One of the goals of a Certified Loss Control Professional is to help ensure a safe work environment for utility workers and the public in general. Avoiding workplace



RODNEY BEECH

accidents avoids down time and can ultimately lead to lower utility rates.

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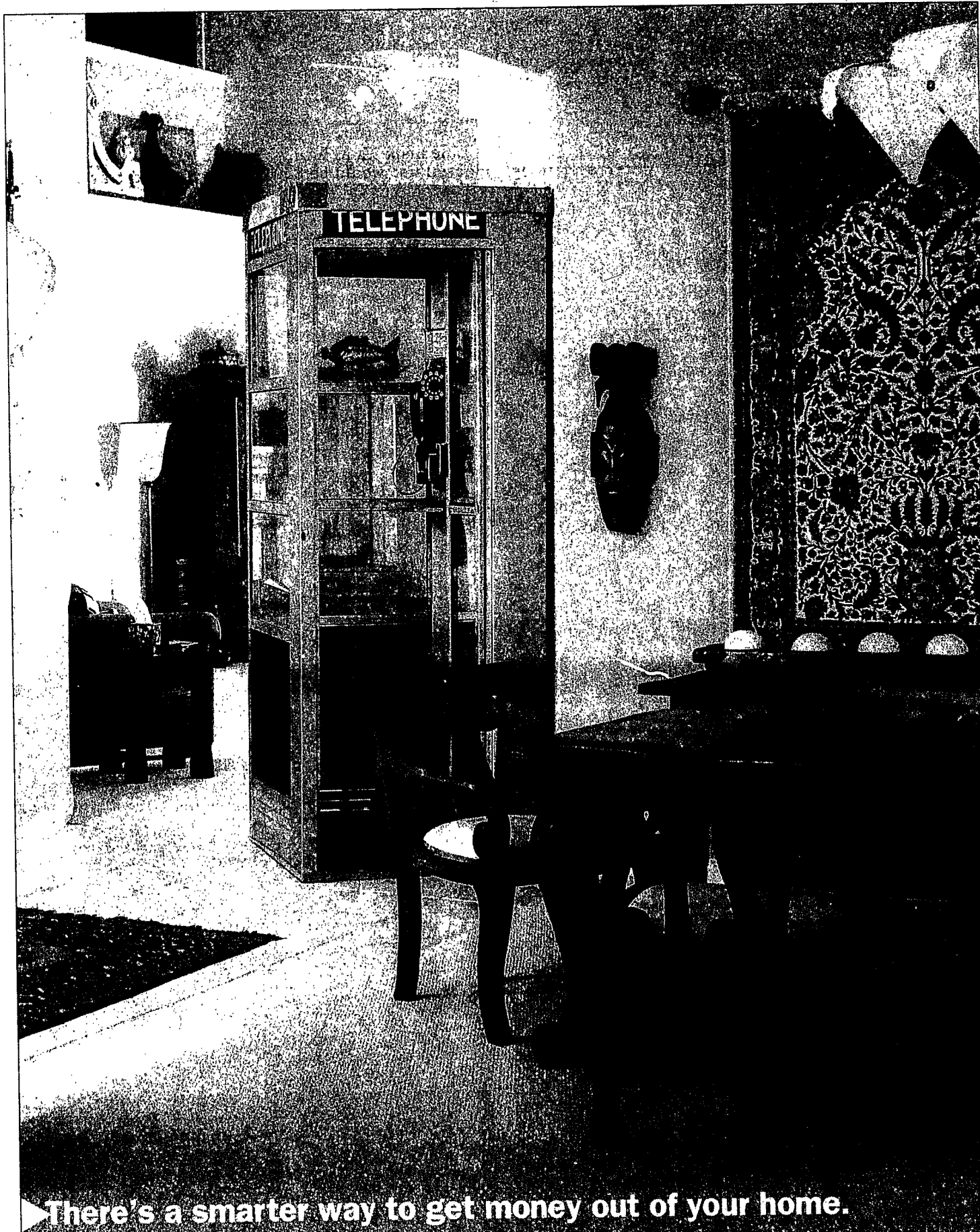
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LT. COL. GLENN SMITH
LEE VAUGHN

JOSEPH BOURGEOIS
Joseph Montre Bourgeois, 69, of Diamondhead, MS passed away February 17, 2004. He was a veteran of the United States Army, a graduate of Sacred Heart High School in New Orleans, former employee of NL Barold in New Orleans for 35 years.

He was preceded in death by his father, Elihu Bourgeois; a son, Kenneth Bourgeois and a brother Thomas Bourgeois.

He is survived by his wife Gretchen Bourgeois of Diamondhead, MS; mother, Samantha Myers of New Orleans, LA; one stepson, Patrick Navratil of Spring, TX; two step-daughters, Janet Russell of Atlanta, GA and Amy Quisito of Exton, PA; brother, Carl Bourgeois of Harahan, LA and two grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 417 Security Square, Gulfport, MS 39507, or the Catholic Church of DeLisle Building Fund, 25220 St. Stephens Road, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

A memorial service will be held at St. Williams Catholic Church in Kiln, MS on Friday, February 20th at 2:00 p.m. with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be in Biloxi National Cemetery, Biloxi, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home of Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.



PAUL HUNDL
Paul G. Hundl, 37, of Gulfport, died Sunday.

February 15, 2004, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Hundl was a native of Victoria, Texas, and was employed as a pipewelder with MSS Contractors at Stennis Space Center. He was a devoted husband, father and brother.

Mr. Hundl was preceded in death by his father, Walter Hundl; and his grandparents, John and Albina Hick Jr., and Tom and Esther Hundl.

Survivors include his wife, Daphne Hundl; sons, Justin Hundl, Jordan Hundl and Jaden Hundl, all of Gulfport; mother, Georgie Hundl of Diamondhead; brothers, Mike Hundl of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Robert Hundl of Diamondhead; and sisters, Karen Hundl of San Antonio, Texas, Charlotte Hillin of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Glenda Kraker of Holland, Mich.

Visitation will be from 6 until 10 p.m. Thursday, February 19, 2004 at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. Friday, February 20, 2004 in St. Stephen's Catholic Church in DeLisle followed by burial in St. Joseph Cemetery at Rotten Bayou in Kiln.

VERA LANDRUM

Mrs. Vera V. Landrum, 91, of Bay St. Louis, MS formerly of Seminary, MS died on February 16, 2004 in Bay St. Louis, MS.

She was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lewis T. Landrum in 1988; two sons, Frank Landrum and Winston Landrum; parents, J.R. and Velma Brewer.

Mrs. Landrum is survived by a son, Larry T. Landrum of Alexandria, Virginia; three daughters, Iris Bailey of Bay St. Louis, MS; Dean Whipple of Shidell, LA and Cathy Irwin of Lizana, MS; three sisters, Rae Fairchild of Seminary, MS; Paula Overland of Gulfport, MS; and Carol Berkman of Slidell, LA; God Child, Johnny Blackwell of Long Beach, MS; A host of nieces and nephews. 13 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, February 18, 2004 at Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Laurel.

Funeral Services will be held Thursday, February 19, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Laurel. Burial will be in Lott Cemetery in Jones County. Rev. Ken Regan will officiate.

DEBORAH MCKENZIE
Deborah Marie McKenzie, 49, passed away Feb. 14, 2004, in St.

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Such a sweet, pleasant child, how I wish you were here To reassure me with hugs and your own special cheer. To see that beautiful smile just one more time, And hear that you love me, would make everything fine. But I'll look at your pictures, and remember with love Because you're at peace now... with God up above.

Love You & Miss You, Mom & Family

Tammany Parish, La. She was a former resident of Hancock County and a member of the Baptist Faith.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandmother, Jessie Lee; her father, Samuel Douglas; and natural mother, Eunice McBeth.

She is survived by son William Patrick Ray of Breaux Bridge, La.; mother, Viola Sterling of Waveland; sisters, Marlene McCain of Franklinton, La., Suzy Hutto of Picayune and Theresa Duprey of Waveland; brothers, Sammy Douglas of Baton Rouge, La., Russell Douglas of Waveland and Joseph Douglas of Eight Mile, Ala.; and two granddaughters, Alexis and JenJen of Breaux Bridge, La.

Visitation was held Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

Prayer services were Wednesday, Feb. 18, at the funeral home.

Interment will be in Bayou LaCroix Cemetery.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home of Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

MELISSA MURPHY

Melissa Murphy, 28, of Carriere, MS died February 16, 2004.

She was a native of Independence, La. She was a waitress for Red Lobster. She was of the Baptist faith.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Albert and Judy Mars.

Survivors include her parents, Gleeson and Julie Murphy of Carriere, MS; 1 daughter, MacKenzie Baker of Carriere, MS; brother, Gleeson Murphy Jr. of Baton Rouge, LA.

Visitation will be held Thursday, February 19, 2004 from 3-5 p.m. followed by funeral services at 5 p.m. in the Lee's Chapel #2 Baptist Church. The Rev. Buddy Sheriff and the Rev. Lavelle Lee will officiate at the services.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials be made to the Cancer research organization of your choice.

McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

JOHN SCHNELLER JR.

John Schneller Jr., 88, of Bay St. Louis died Feb. 15, 2004, in Bay St. Louis.

He was a native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of Bay St. Louis, MS. He was a Veteran serving as a flight instructor in the U.S. Navy and maintained a lifetime passion for flying.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John & Juliette Latimer Schneller.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Orr Schneller of Bay St. Louis, MS; daughter, Jean Liehe and husband Bill of Prairieville, LA; son, John Schneller, III and wife Sylvia of New Orleans, LA; 2 sisters, Juliette Bergey of New Orleans, LA and Alaine Apffel of Long

Beach, MS; 5 Grandchildren, 7 Great Grandchildren

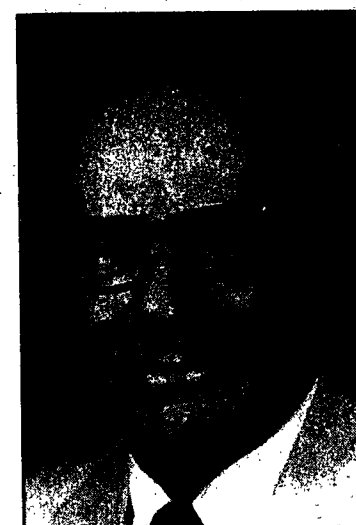
A Visitation will be held Thursday, February 19, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., at the Waveland Methodist Church in Waveland, MS.

The Memorial Service will follow at 11:00 a.m. at the church.

Interment will follow in Pearlinton Cemetery, Pearlinton, MS.

In lieu of flowers and plants, please make donations to the National Parkinson Foundation, Inc., Director of Development, 1501 N.W. 9th Ave/Bob Hope Rd., Miami, FL 33136-1494.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St., Louis, MS is in charge of the Arrangements.



LT. COL. GLENN SMITH
Retired Lt. Col. Glenn Alvin Smith, 86, of Bay St. Louis died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004, in Gulfport.

He was a native of Cement, Okla., and a longtime resident of Hancock County for the past 27 years. He was of the Methodist faith and a member of Waveland Methodist Church.

He retired as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army after serving for 28 years. His time in the service was spent in World War II, Korean War and Vietnam. He received the Purple Heart.

He was a division chief at the CIA, briefing officer for President Eisenhower and President John F. Kennedy. He was a coordinator of Federal Funds under Gov. Cliff Finch, staff member for the United States Armed Services Preparedness Investigating Sub Committee, advisor to U.S. Senator Stennis of Mississippi and U.S. Senator Scoop Jackson of Washington, D.C., and served as nuclear advisor for the original Salt Talks in Geneva, Switzerland.

He was also a Master Mason of Westmoreland Lodge 0212 in Kinsale, Va. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 77 in Waveland. He was past president of the Diamondhead Property Owners Association and a member of the Diamondhead Golf Club in Diamondhead.

He is preceded in death by his first wife, Wilma Payne Smith; parents, Bert C. and Edna Kenner Smith; and a sister, Opal Ford.

He is survived by his wife, Mittie Z. Smith of Bay St. Louis; two sons, Glenn A. Smith II of Virginia and John P. Smith of New Jersey; stepson, Herbert Zengarleng of White Cypress Lakes; two stepdaughters, Joyce Lee and Lisa Hinson, both of Bay St. Louis; five grandchildren, seven step grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Visitation will be on Thursday, Feb. 19, from 7 until 9 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. The prayer service will be held on Friday, Feb. 20, at 12:30 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Burial will be at 3 p.m. in Biloxi National Cemetery. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

LEE VAUGHN

Lee P. Vaughn, 64, of Pass Christian for over 30 years, died in Pass Christian.

Mr. Vaughn was a native of Crichton, Ala., and served in the U.S. Navy during Vietnam. He worked at the Seabee Base as a warehouse leader, was a member of North Long Beach Baptist Church and was an animal lover.

Mr. Vaughn was preceded in death by his wife, Delores Ladner Vaughn; his parents, Jack and Lillie Vaughn; a brother, Dennis Vaughn; and a stepdaughter, Terry Livingston Self.

Survivors include three stepchildren, Sharon K. Van Zandt of Texas, Kevin R. Byrd of Long Beach and Michael F. Byrd of Chester, Va.; a sister, Earlene Vaughn Clark of Baker, La.; brothers, Virgil V. Vaughn of Haleyville, Ala.; Otis K. Vaughn of Madison, Ala.; and Warren

C. Vaughn of Arizona; 11 grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at Riemann Funeral Home in Long Beach. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at North Long Beach Baptist Church, followed by burial in Long Beach City Cemetery.

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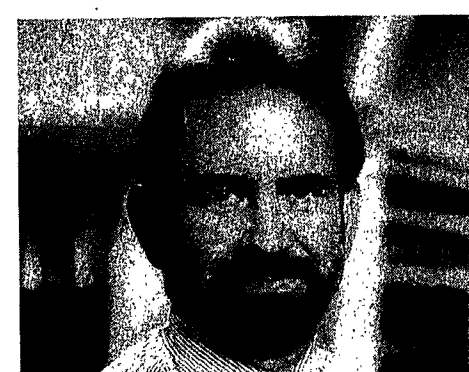
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Severe Weather Awareness week set for Feb. 23-27

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Mississippi Emergency Management Agency and National Weather Service officials announced today that Mississippi's Severe Weather Awareness Week will be Feb. 23-27, with a statewide drill set for Wednesday, Feb. 25. Schools, government agencies and businesses throughout the state are encouraged to take part in the annual tornado drill.

The theme for Severe Weather Awareness week is, "NOAA Weather Radio -

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The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration or NOAA Weather Radio is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information from the National Weather Service. NOAA Weather Radios sell for approximately \$30 to \$70 and sound an alarm when severe weather is approaching.

"You need a NOAA Weather Radio in your home just as much as you

need a smoke detector," said MEMA Director Robert Latham. "Statistics prove that being prepared for an event can save lives and reduce injuries and property losses. Because tornadoes can strike with little or no warning, people have to know instinctively what to do for their own safety."

The first step in protecting yourself from severe weather is to listen for weather watches and warnings, which are issued by the National Weather Service and are broadcast

by local radio and television stations. A WATCH means weather conditions are favorable for the development of a particular weather event. A WARNING means the weather event is occurring and you should take immediate protective action.

Gov. Haley Barbour signed a proclamation declaring Feb. 23-27 as Severe Weather Awareness Week. Mississippi has been under 18 State of Emergency Declarations since 2002 due to severe

weather.

Disaster Supply Kit
The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) suggests that the following six basic items be stored in a Disaster Supply Kit. These items should be kept in an easy-to-locate place known to all family members. These items should be stored in an easy-to-carry container with quick access.

1. Water - Store at least one gallon of water per person per day.

2. Food - Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water.

3. First Aid Kit - Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car. Be sure to include prescription drugs and insulin.

4. Tools and Emergency Supplies - Include a battery-operated radio, flashlight, extra batteries, a manual can opener, sanitation item, feminine supplies, garbage bags, paper plates and cups

and plastic utensils.

5. Clothing and Bedding - Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person and blankets.

6. Special Items - Remember family members with special needs such as infants and elderly or disabled persons. Also keep a copy of important family documents, such as insurance policies, social security cards, an inventory of valuable household goods, family records and bank account information in a waterproof container.

Families should also take time to create an Emergency Disaster Plan. The plan should include a discussion with household members to identify types of disasters that could occur in your area, finding the safe spots in your home, making a plan to know what to do with your pets in you need to evacuate, buy a NOAA Weather Radio and determine the escape routes from your home and identify places to meet.

DMR to remove abandoned crab traps

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) will hold its 2004 closed season for crab traps and crab pots in shallow waters, beginning March 14, 2004 and ending April 3, 2004. This year's closed season will be staggered, occurring for just one week in each of the three coastal counties (Hancock, Harrison and Jackson).

The 2004 closure plan, approved by the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources at its January 20, 2004 meeting, gives fishermen the opportunity to move their crab traps to waters outside of a half-mile of the shoreline and continue fishing during the closure. In addition, the plan includes a deep water closure, which will require that crab traps be within a half-mile of the shoreline during the first week of shrimp season, which will probably be sometime in June.

"In order to make the second year of the closed season less burdensome to crab fishermen and more efficient for trap retrieval personnel, the DMR has decided to alternate closure areas by county," said DMR Shrimp and Crab Bureau Director Mike Brainard. "This allows the crabbers to continue to work in one area while another area is being cleaned-up."

Not only are derelict crab traps a navigational hazard to boaters, they may also be a danger to marine and aquatic life. Having a crab trap area closure allows for data about the type of marine life that may become trapped in these derelict traps to be collected.

The shallow water area closed season for both recreational and commercial crab trap fishing will require all crab traps be moved outside a half-mile of the shoreline for one week in each of the three coastal counties as follows:

* Hancock County area (includes all of St. Louis Bay): March 14-21;

* Harrison County area (includes all of Back Bay, Fort Bayou and Davis Bayou; in Biloxi Channel

inward from a line from the east tip of Deer Island to Marker 18 east to the shoreline): March 22-27; and

* Jackson County (includes all areas in Jackson County except Fort Bayou, Davis Bayou and Back Bay): March 28-April 3.

Each area will close at 6 a.m. on the first day of the closure and reopen at 6 a.m. the day after the closing.

Any crab trap or crab pot remaining during a scheduled area closure will be considered derelict and subject to removal. DMR will remove these derelict traps in cooperation with Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL) staff members throughout the closure period and will recycle the crab traps at a local facility. During the scheduled closure, crabs may not be harvested from any crab trap or crab pot in the closed area and crabs must be returned to the water during trap removal.

During last year's closed crab season 1,429 traps were removed from Mississippi coastal waters and transported to a recycling facility. Since the program's inception, Nov. 4, 1999, more than 5,000 abandoned traps have been removed from Mississippi marine waters through the Mississippi Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program.

The Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program, a joint effort of the DMR and GCRL, is funded by a CIAP grant administered by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ). The Coastal Impact Assistance Program is a federally sponsored program that provides funding for addressing statewide coastal issues. Additional funding will come from the NOAA Community Based Restoration Program.

The DMR will be sending mailers to all Mississippi licensed recreational and commercial crab trap fishermen notifying them of the closing and requesting their cooperation. Other states that have successfully used a closed crab trap and crab pot season to address the derelict trap issue include

Alabama and Texas.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.state.ms.us

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Poll Worker Training

The Republican Executive Committee will conduct Poll Worker training for the March 9 primary.

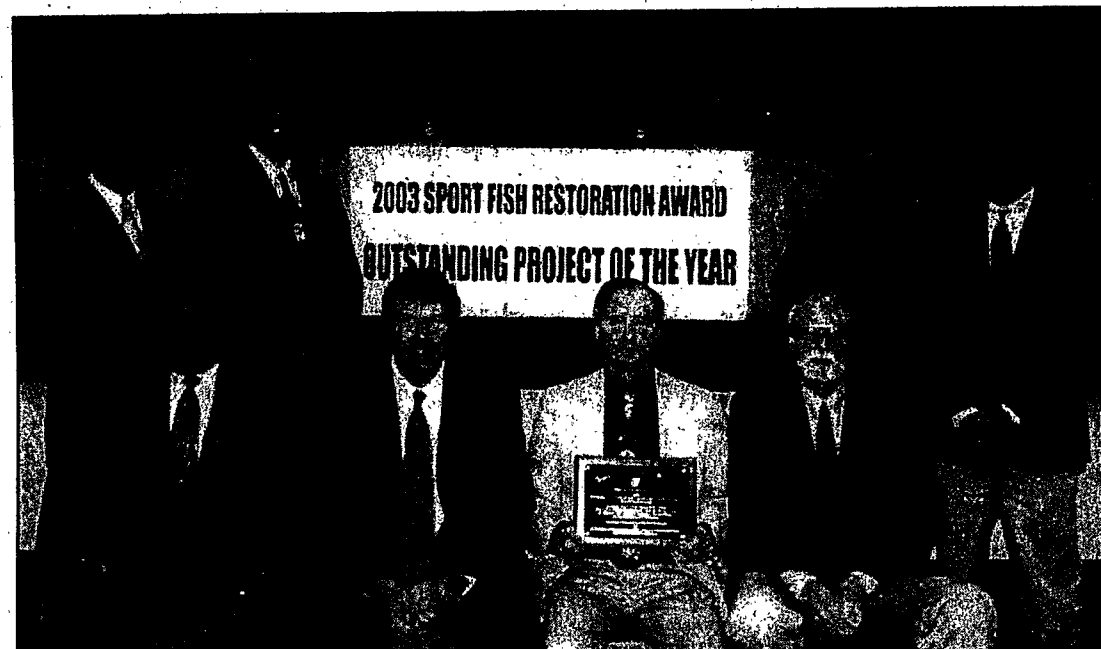
Training certification will be given in cooperation with Hancock County Election Commissioners on the following dates: Thursday,

Feb. 19 at the Kiln Public Library; Friday, Feb. 20 at the Bay St. Louis Public Library; Monday, Feb. 23 at Diamondhead Country Club.

For further information contact Virginia Langen, 255-5827.



From left: Douglas Stang, president of the Fisheries Administrators Section of the American Fisheries Society; William "Corky" Perret, director of the DMR's Office of Marine Fisheries; and James Franks, fisheries biologist with the University of Southern Mississippi's Gulf Coast Research Laboratory.)



(Front row, l-r: Columbus Brown, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Special Assistant to the Regional Director for Councils and Commissions; Douglas Stang, president of the Fisheries Administrators Section of the American Fisheries Society; William "Corky" Perret, DMR's Office of Marine Fisheries Director; James Franks, a fisheries biologist with the University of Southern Mississippi's Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL). Back row, l-r: William Walker, DMR's Executive Director; Dr. Eric Hoffmayer, a fisheries biologist with GCRL; Michael Buchanan, DMR's Finfish Bureau Director; and Read Hendon, fisheries biologist with GCRL.)

DMR, GCRL win national award

One of the top fisheries research awards in the nation went to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) and the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL) during the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources (CMR) meeting on Feb. 17, 2004.

The national award recognized the partnership between DMR and The University of Southern Mississippi's GCRL to investigate sargassum. The bright gold algae plays a critical role in the survival of larval and juvenile off-shore fish in the northern Gulf of Mexico, often collecting into surface mats that may rival the size of a football field.

"This project has increased significantly the knowledge and scientific understanding of sargassum as a habitat for these important marine species. This knowledge will enable us to make appropriate decisions relative to managing these valuable resources," said DMR Executive Director William Walker.

In ceremonies at the CMR meeting Douglas L. Stang, president of the Fisheries Administrators Section of the American Fisheries Society, presented the Section's 2003 Sport Fish Restoration Award for "Outstanding Project of the Year" to William "Corky" Perret, director of the DMR's Office of Marine Fisheries, and project leaders with the Southern Miss laboratory.

"This award pays tribute to the excellent professional research staff that is providing scientific data on the importance of sargassum habitat in the larval and juvenile stages of many marine finfish species," said Perret.

The Fisheries Administrators Section presents the award each year to the top project in the nation in each of three categories: sport fishery development and management, research and surveys, and

aquatic education.

This award program enhances recognition of the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration program and highlights outstanding projects conducted by fisheries professionals.

"Our judges selected the sargassum study as the top project in the research and surveys category," Stang said. "This research is providing valuable new knowledge about a little known fisheries habitat and the importance of this habitat in the life cycle of many Gulf of Mexico fishes."

The investigation is funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Sportfish Restoration Program through the DMR. Project scientists are James Franks, Read Hendon, Dr. Eric Hoffmayer and Richard Waller, and Dr. Bruce Comyns with USM's GCRL; and Mike Buchanan with DMR.

Franks said a major focus of the work is describing habitat conditions and the importance of sargassum and frontal zones for early life stages of highly migratory species such as billfish and tunas. "Marlins, sailfish and bluefin, yellowfin and blackfin tuna have been significant components of our larval fish collections," he said.

"Such information is of value to fisheries managers working to effect sustainable fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico."

The team of GCRL researchers and graduate students has used traditional assessment methods of nets and divers from the 97-foot R/V Tommy Munro as well as innovative techniques using a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) for an underwater video census. They have documented species diversity, relative abundance and habitat requirements of larval and juvenile fishes associated with sargassum.

From 2001 through 2003, the GCRL team made 203 biological collections and 21 video samples. The collections contain more than 25,000 larval and juvenile specimens and represent 57 families and 135 species of

fish. The fisheries biologists are continuing their research during 2004.

The Gulf Coast Research Laboratory is part of the Southern Miss College of Science and Technology.

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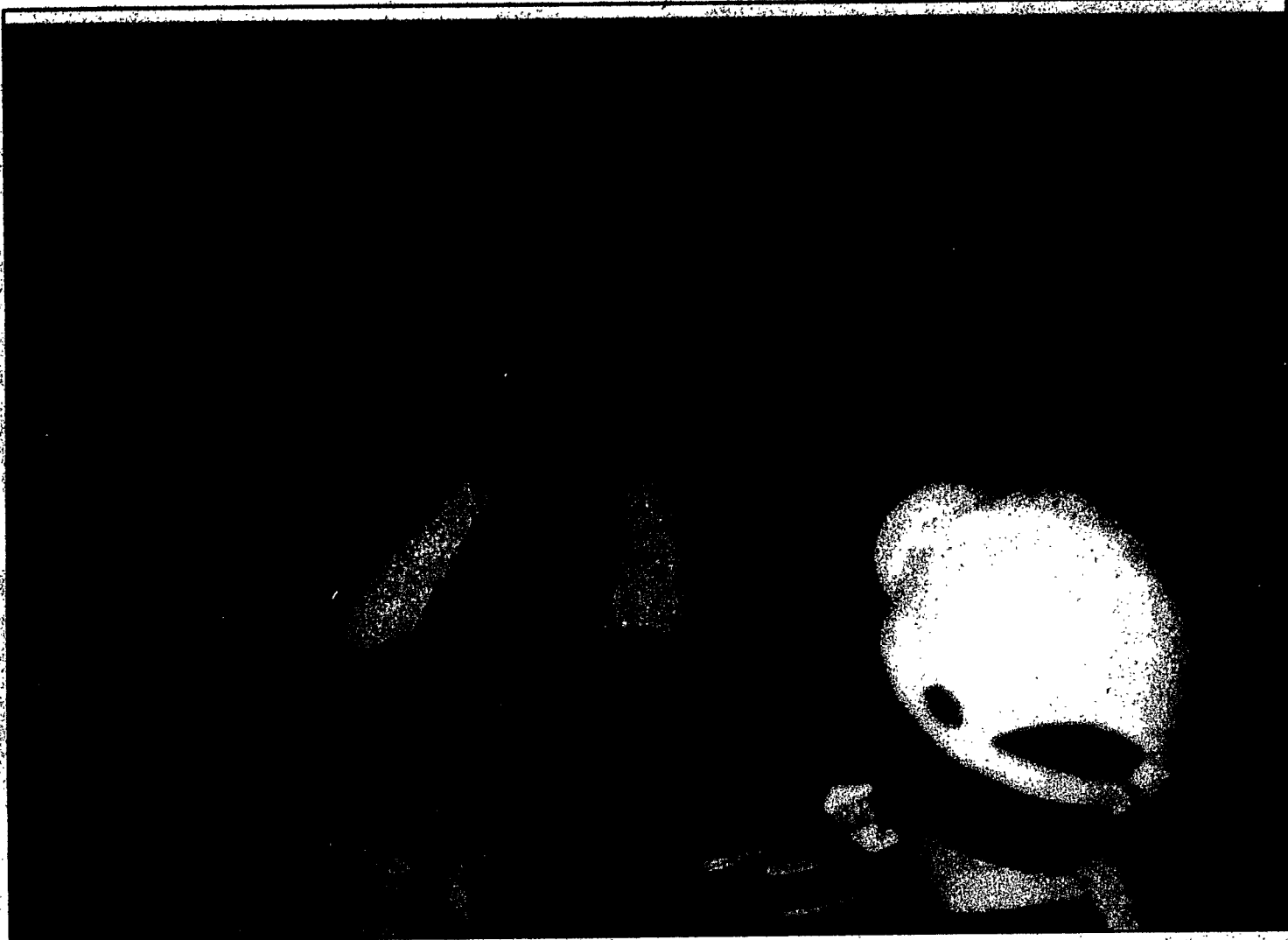
The spirit of Mardi Gras filled the streets in Waveland on Feb. 15

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Sports

OLA wins 'one for the thumb' to become soccer champs



The Our Lady Academy Crescents soccer team celebrates its state tournament victory on Saturday.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Our Lady Academy Crescents soccer team had a motto for the state championship game in soccer on Saturday, February 14 - "Win one for the thumb!" The Crescents delivered in their bid for an unprecedented fifth consecutive Class 1A-2A-3A state soccer championship with a 2-0 shutout win over the West Lauderdale Lady Knights.

The motto for the team came from the hand gesture of holding up the symbol of the number four. The thumb is not part of the ges-

ture and is seldom seen. Now, OLA has brought the thumb to the forefront and given the lonely digit a title to hold.

The game was played on February 14 because the MHSAA postponed the games from a week earlier due to inclement weather and rain-soaked fields. It was hard to believe that the conditions had improved.

The two teams played an almost invincible foe - the ankle deep mud - on Clinton High School's Burkett Field. It was the final game for the five OLA seniors - Rachel Cranford, Laura Ellis,

Lauren Forte, Lauren Goulet and Kira Reaver. Two of the seniors made sure the game was a happy one to remember as they scored in their final game in maroon and white.

The game was dominated by the Crescents as the Lady Knights crossed mid-field only six times during 100 minutes of play - two regulation halves and two 10-minute overtime periods. At the 4:58 mark of the first overtime, Goulet took a pass from Laura Ellis and shot a high rocket towards the far post. Emmy Joyner, the Lady Knights' goalie, bob-

bled the shot and it fell in for the point to make the score 1-0 in favor of OLA.

While the Crescents were in the lead at the end of the first overtime period, the state mandates that a second 10-minute overtime must be played. With 6:58 remaining in the second overtime period, senior forward Rachel Cranford blew a shot past Joyner on an assist by Meghan Flynt. Cranford is OLA's all-time leading scorer with 119 goals in her career and 44 on the season. Cranford ended 2004 four goals shy of the single season record

held by Kristin Cannon with 48.

OLA head coach Danny Owens stated, "This was a very tough game. It took a while for us to get going. We kept putting the pressure on them and finally got a shot to fall. This team wanted to win and nothing was going to keep them from doing that."

The win gives OLA a final record of 21-5-1 in 2004. The Crescents will say good-bye to five seniors who have been there for all five state title runs. Rachel Cranford recalled, "This is an amazing and awesome feeling. Most people don't even get the chance to get here one time. We have

been blessed with the opportunity to win five titles in a row."

The Crescents dominated the game but the weather played a huge part in slowing their attack down. OLA had several chances to ice the game during regulation but just couldn't seem to get any air under their shot or it just missed by inches.

OLA fielded the first girls high school soccer team in the state of Mississippi in 1990. They had to travel out of state to play games because there were no other teams around. All that has changed; however, one thing has remained the same for, at least, the past five seasons - OLA is still on top.

SSC beats Pearl and the mud 2-0 for Class 4A state soccer title

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws soccer team battled rough field conditions and a frustrated group of Pearl Pirates to win their second consecutive Class 4A state soccer title 2-0 on Saturday, February 14 at Pirate Stadium. The title game was a rematch of last year's 4A final and it gives SSC their fourth state soccer title in the last 9 years.

The state championship soccer games were postponed a week by the MHSAA due to flooded field conditions; however, nothing could convince the fans or players that the conditions had improved during the week. The turf looked more like a quagmire than a soccer field. And, the mud and muck was an extra defender for each team.

SSC dominated the first half of play with seven sure shots on the Pearl goal while the Pirates managed to get off three legitimate shots.

As the second half of play got under way, it appeared as though we were in for much of the same type of action. However, just four minutes into the half SSC appeared to have scored. But, the goal was waved off by an offside call.

As the half wore on and the mud seemed to get thicker, the pace of the game and players seemed to drag. However, Andrew Smith-Parker broke free at the



The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws soccer team celebrates its state tournament victory on Saturday.

15:38 mark inside the Pirate penalty box. He was taken down from behind which forced a penalty kick by SSC.

Michael Kivlan, a senior midfielder, came on to take the penalty shot. Kivlan delivered with a hard shot to the left to give the Rocks a 1-0 lead.

Austin Ladner added a little insurance for SSC with a shot past the Pirate goalie with 8:42 remaining in the game to make the score 2-0.

Pearl had an opportunity to tie the game prior to Ladner's goal but SSC keeper Sean Olsen preserved the shutout with an amazing

stop in the mud. SSC head coach Andy Kivlan commented, "All year our defense has played tough. We could not have asked for a better effort today with the weather and field conditions we faced. It is proof to the old saying that offense wins games and defense wins championships. Sean Olsen in goal made some very good stops today. He stepped up his game."

The shutout win meant that the Rocks went the entire playoffs without being scored upon. SSC scored 20 goals in the post-season and did not allow any shot to hit the net. SSC ends 2004 with a 24-3-1

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The Bay High basketball team includes on bottom row from left, Kyle Sick, Corbin Blazie, Kevin Meachick, Ricky Warren, Chris Billingsley, Steven Thebeau and Josh Sick. Second row, Courtland Piazza, Blaine Lee, Brennan Adam, Josh Garste, Robble Pittre, Jason Cook and Bill Carr. Top row, Coach Weems, Trevor Adam, Cory Jordan, Jeremy Bell, Brad Ladner, Ryan Dedeaux, Travis Taylor, Derek Berendsen and Coach Pigott. The season opener will be this Friday at 7 p.m. against Long Beach in the Piney Bluff tournament.

SSC & Bay High to meet in semi-finals

BY JOSHUA W. GLEN II
Staff Writer

The first two days of the Division 3 Class A basketball tournament were held at Bay High School in the books.

The top teams from the division will move on to the first round of the South State playoffs on Monday, February 23 and Tuesday, February 24.

One of the biggest matchups of the tournament will be between the #1 seed, Bay High, and the #3 seed, St. Stanislaus, on Monday, February 23 at 7:30 p.m. The other two semi-final game pits the #2 seed, Pass Christian, against the #4 seed, Gautier, on Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30 p.m.

In the first semi-final, the #1 seed, Bay High, defeated the #3 seed, St. Stanislaus, 41-23. The #2 seed, Pass Christian, defeated the #4 seed, Gautier, 41-23.

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The Rocks defeated the Hornets 41-23 to advance to the second round on Thursday, February 24.

The Rocks used a stifling full-court defense to frustrate the Hornets and pushed the ball on offense that ran the Hornets ragged.

The Hornets held the lead just once in the game when Kenny Brister's three pointer gave the Hornets a 22-22 advantage following SSC's Mario Franklin's game-opening layup. After that, it was all SSC. The Rocks raced to a 40-8 advantage by the end of the first period.

The Rocks increased their lead to 40-21 by half-time. Mario Franklin led the Rocks with 29 points and 13 rebounds, and Darius Akers' 18 points and 3 steals.

In the other game played on Monday night, the #3-seeded, D'Iberville, girls defeated the #6-seeded Lady Bulldogs of Vancleave 66-34. D'Iberville enjoyed a 20-4 lead after the first period that increased to 40-13

by half-time. Osley led D'Iberville with 21 points and Rachel Hollis added 18 points in the win. Shana Grimes led Vancleave with nine points.

On Tuesday, February 17, the Pass Christian Lady Pirates fell to the Lady Hornets of East Central 67-61. The Lady Hornets jumped out to an 18-8 lead in the first period; however, Pass Christian fought back and was down 40-26 at half-time.

Tomeka Fields led Pass Christian with 25 points followed by Kellie Marth with 18 points and Kenyatta Woods with 10 points. Temisia Duck led East Central with 23 points followed by Ruth Stewart with 15 points and Anita McCann with 14 points.

In the second game on Tuesday, the Gautier Gators held off a hard-charging Vancleave Bulldog team 53-44 in boys action. Gautier led 14-6 after the opening period and 29-24 at intermission. Terrance McNichols and Gibraltar White each scored 14 points for Gautier while Sed

Millender added 10 points. David Mitchell led Vancleave with 18 points and Les Trebeauch with 10 points.

In the finals of the night, the Bay High Tigers scored an upset victory over the D'Iberville Warriors, winning 57-41. The Tigers led by a narrow 10-8 margin after the first period. The Warriors turned the tables on the Tigers in the second period and took a 22-22 lead at halftime.

The Warriors scored, scored out slow as nothing team sank a bucket until the 41 mark when the Warriors nailed a putback in the lane to make the score 25-22.

The Tigers had chance after chance to put shots in the basket but were unable to connect. The Warriors, in a groove, and surged to a 36-29 lead after three periods.

D'Iberville pulled to within four points at 44-40 with about 1:07 left in the game. The Warriors had to outpace the Tigers at the line and Bay High connected on free throws down the stretch led by Lorenzo Lewis who connected on six charity shots in the final minute.

Wildcats open baseball season with sweep: split with Bishop State

Pearl River Wildcats roared to a 10-0 victory over Parish's Poplars in their season opener. The Wildcats' season opener was a sweep of the Poplars, 10-0. The Wildcats' season opener was a sweep of the Poplars, 10-0.

Rain delayed the game until 7:30 p.m. The Wildcats' season opener was a sweep of the Poplars, 10-0. The Wildcats' season opener was a sweep of the Poplars, 10-0.

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son to be pleased, particularly with the performance of a host of first-year freshmen that played well in their collegiate debut.

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Grove. The Wildcats split with Bishop State in Mobile, Alabama Tuesday. BPCC opened the extra-inning, evening game 2-1.

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Krewe of Venus has pre-ball royalty party

The Krewe of Venus held its 14th annual royalty party Jan. 17 at the Great Southern Country Club in Gulfport. The semi formal affair was hosted by the 2004 Royalty Court and the Krewe.

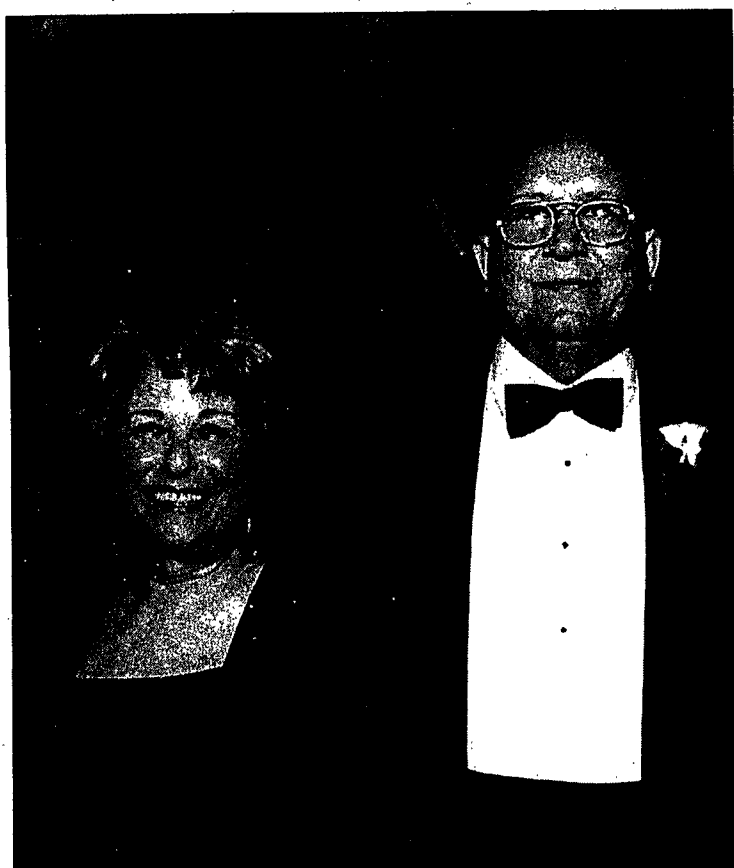
Krewe of Venus president, Darlene Owen, was mistress of ceremonies. She announced the 2004 royalty for their fourteenth annual ball, which was held on February 7, 2004 in the Grand Ballroom of the President Casino Broadwater Resort Towers.

The announced Maids of the Krewe of Venus and their Dukes are Grace Sulken and Richard Sulken of Marietta, GA; Ruby Hennessee and Ron Peresich, Jr. of Biloxi; Jennifer Rich and Kimbel Rich of Biloxi; Betty Gamez and Roy Gamez of Pass Christian; Lou Scardino and Michael Scardino of Long Beach; Brenda Kraemer and Norvin Kraemer of Bay St. Louis.

Selected to reign as Queen Venus the XIV is Joy Koniak.

Queen Joy is a resident of Biloxi and a native of Bay St. Louis. She's a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy, Bay St. Louis and Spencer Business College in New Orleans and a retired federal employee, having worked for the FBI, New Orleans; Department of Human Services, Washington, D. C.; U. S. Naval Ordnance Station and the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Louisville, KY. She enjoys membership in several groups, including Gulf Coast Opera Salon, Gulf Coast Newcomers Club, Italian American Society and the Red Hat Society. She has been a member of Venus for five years and served as maid for their 2001 Ball.

Queen Venus the XIV selected to reign as her King her husband of forty two



Queen Venus the XIV, Joy Koniak, and King Venus the XIV Joseph Koniak.

years, Joseph Koniak.

King Joseph, a native of Litchfield, Illinois, moved to the coast after retirement. He is an Army veteran of the Korean war, graduate of Southern Illinois University, and was employed with UNISYS as a Senior Systems Specialist for 36 years. He is also a member of the Hibernia Marching Society and the Italian American Society.

There was a gift exchange between the Royalty. The queen was presented with her crown from the maids, and her queens pin from the krewe. The king was presented a pair of binoculars from the dukes, and a cuff link set from the krewe. President Owen was presented a gift of pewter from her board of officers, which include elected officers: Jennifer Rich, Vice President; Yvonne Owen, Treasurer; Shirley Brown, Recording Secretary; Diane

Stewart, Corresponding Secretary; Eloise Gryder, Ball Captain and appointed officers: Marie Eck, Parliamentarian; JoAnn Munghia, Historian; Cathy Miller, Hospitality Chairman and Alicia Cool the Decorating Committee Chairman.

During the traditional champagne toast, Maid Grace Sulken and her Duke Richard Sulken presented a toast on behalf of the Maids and Dukes and reigning Queen Arlene Vonderhaar and King John Vonderhaar presented the toast to the new royalty on behalf of the Krewe.

Entertainment and dance music was provided by the "Deuces Wild" band. The Krewe of Venus members wish to extend a special thanks to Mary Armstrong of the Great Southern Club for coordinating such a wonderful event.

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The De Chiaro Duo to perform at USMGC

On Friday, March 5, at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Park Campus in Long Beach, the De Chiaro Duo will present a concert featuring music for Piano and Guitar. Pianist Alana Rutledge and Guitarist Giovanni De Chiaro will perform works by Vivaldi, Diabelli, Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Carulli and Joplin. While the piano and guitar are primarily considered solo instruments, their use in this unique chamber ensemble format is uncommon, yet pleasing and effective. Both instruments, while percussive in nature due to the manner in which the tone is produced, complement each other in a most pleasant manner.

The De Chiaro Duo will be presenting a series of concerts at Roselle Catholic High School in Roselle, New Jersey and at Saint Mary's Abbey/Delbarton in Morristown, New Jersey in March.

Ms. Rutledge received her undergraduate degree in Music Education from the University of Southern Mississippi and is currently a degree candidate for the Masters of Music Degree in Piano Performance. She has studied piano with Carol Mahler, James Jolly, Mary Ann Stringer and harpsichord with Dana Ragsdale.



The De Chiaro Duo, guitarist Giovanni De Chiaro and pianist Alana Rutledge.

Ms. Rutledge is also a member of Phi Kappa Lambda, a music honor society. A recipient of the prestigious and highly coveted Dean's Endowment Scholarship, Alana has received numerous awards and honors to include the Faculty Achievement Award in Piano Performance at USM and was a Finalist in the Biloxi Music Festival in Biloxi, Mississippi. Her accompaniment credits

include the Bay St. Louis Little Theater, Gulfport Little Theater the USM Opera Theater, the USM Oratorio Chorus and the Pearl River Community College Choir. She has also performed with the USM Collegium, an early music performing ensemble. Alana has participated in the National Guild Auditions. Ms. Rutledge is an active pastoral musician and currently serves as principal

keyboardist and assistant choir director at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Biloxi. Mr. De Chiaro has performed seven solo recitals at Carnegie Hall and has performed for Pope John Paul II at the Vatican in Rome.

Mr. De Chiaro has also performed for President Clinton on two separate occasions at the White House. He has recorded his own transcriptions of the

complete works of Scott Joplin for Centaur Records and has published several anthologies with Mel Bay Publications. He is the Professor of Guitar at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg where he founded the Mississippi Guitar Quartet, and serves as choir director at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Biloxi. The De Chiaro Duo recently signed a recording contract with Centaur Records and will be releasing a CD which will feature the music of Scott Joplin arranged for piano and guitar.

The concert, scheduled for Friday, March 5 will be presented at 7:30 P.M. in Hardy Hall on the USM Campus in Long Beach. Ticket prices are \$5.00 and are available at the door. For further information, contact the school at (228) 865-4576.

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Crosby Arboretum 2004 programs

FEBRUARY:
Thursday, February 19
10 A.M. to 11 A.M.

Sketch nature while taking a hike! Learn how to appreciate nature in a whole new way. Sketch pad and various pencils will be provided. Children may take their materials home with them to enjoy in their own backyard. Dress for the weather. Non members \$4; Members \$3 per child. Must have reservations! 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Kid's Nature Hike
Friday, February 27
10 A.M. to 11 A.M.

Learn about our native animals, plants, trees and birds of this area as we walk the trails of North Savanna. This is a trail system that I know a lot of you kid's have never walked before. Bring a towel, drink, sun screen and dress for the weather. Non-members \$1 per child. Members FREE. Must have reservations! 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

MARCH:
New Woodland Trail
Hike: kids
Friday, March 5
10 A.M. to 11 A.M.

Come and enjoy a hike in the woods as we meander along our brand new walking trail. The new trail follows a shallow flowing creek with a new observatory deck with seating. We will be doing a short activity on the deck. Dress for the weather! Non-members \$2 per child; Members are free. Must have reservations! 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Pitcher Plant Bog
Rescue

Saturday, March 6
9 A.M. until

FREE of charge. Come and help Arboretum staff members transplant carnivorous pitcher plants. Dress for the occasion and wear your boots. If interested please call 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Ridge Road Clean-Up
Wednesday, March 10
9 A.M. until.

FREE of charge. Arboretum staff members and volunteers will be cleaning up trash and debris from the ditches and roadside along Ridge Road. Trash bags, etc. will be provided. Bring your gloves and dress accordingly. If you are interested in helping the Arboretum keep the roadsides clean then just give us a call. 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Carnivorous Plant Bog
Tour- kid's
Friday, March 12
10 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.

Plants that eat bugs will be the feature of the day! Our carnivorous plant bog has many different bug eating plants to view and learn about. Informational hand-outs will be sent home with you. Non-members \$2 per child; Members are free. 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Plant Swap
Saturday, March 13
9 A.M. to 11 A.M.

FREE of charge. If you are a plant lover then this program is for you! Bring your favorite plants to trade with others. Unusual and hard to find plants are always fun. Arboretum staff members will be on hand to

help answer plant questions. Indoor and outdoor plants welcome. Event will be held in front visitor parking area. Bring your own cooler and lawn chair and sit back and have fun! For more information call 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Wee Ones Leaf Rubbings
Thursday, March 18
10 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.


Recommended ages 3-6 years old. Parents have fun with your little ones as we take a small walk through the woods collecting leaves to make leaf rubbings. All materials will be provided. Dress accordingly. Non-members \$2; Members are FREE. Must have reservations! 601-799-2311, ext. 21 or 23.

Wildlife Day 2004
Friday, March 26
9 A.M. to Noon

All area schools are welcome to bring their classes to this free day at the Crosby Arboretum. There will be a variety of presen-

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The Waveland Housing Authority, is now accepting bids for grounds keeping and grass cutting duties for a two (2) year seasonal contract (March through October) at three (3) sites located within the city limits of Waveland. Bids will be received until 11:00 AM, Friday, March 12, 2004 at the office of The Waveland Housing Authority, 500 Camille Circle, Waveland, Mississippi 39576. Where at that time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. On Thursday March 4, 2004 at 1:00PM there will be a pre-bidding conference where all areas required to be included in each contractors bid will be toured. The conference and tour will start at the office located at 500 Camille Circle. Specifications are available upon request from:

Karen Lachner
Executive Director
500 Camille Circle
Waveland, Ms. 39576
228-467-4247

All inquiries concerning the scope of work should be directed to Karen Lachner, Executive Director, Waveland Housing Authority at 228-467-4247. Waveland Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding.
Waveland Housing Authority
By: Karen Lachner
Executive Director
02/15; 02/19; 02/22/04

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT

OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
TAYONAT CONERLY, MARCO T. CONERLY, JR., PETITIONERS
VS.
THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARCO D. CONERLY, SR. DEFENDANTS
CASE NO. C2301-04-096(3)
TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARCO D. CONERLY, SR., DECEASED, other than Petitioners, whose names, post office and street addresses, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry; You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock A.M. on the 19 day of March, 2004, in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. A copy of your failure to appear and defend a judgment issued under my hand and the seal of the Court this 5 day of February, 2004.
(SEAL)

Timothy Keller
CHANCERY CLERK
BY Larriell Scarborough
DEPUTY CLERK
02/12; 02/19; 02/26/04

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF Hancock
WHEREAS, on the 20th day of May, 1999, Jacqueline M. Martin, a single person, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Charles A. Myers, Trustee for Realty Mortgage Corporation, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 553 at Page 598; and

WHEREAS, on the 20th day of May, 1999, Realty Mortgage Corporation, assigned said Deed of Trust unto Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 553 at Page 607; and

WHEREAS, on the 30th day of January, 2004, the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed John C. Morris, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 813 at Page 758; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned to do so, on the 10th day of March, 2004, I will during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described Land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Lot 28, Block 3, DIAMONDHEAD, AMENDED UNIT 2, PHASE 1, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 4 at Page 19 thereof.

I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 5th day of February, 2004.
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

2308 OLIVER ROAD
MONROE, LA 71201
(518) 330-9020
02/12; 02/19; 02/26; 03/04/04
mjf04-0099
6316 Anela Dr.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF

LETICIA CHEVEZ BOOKHARDT, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. C2301-04-093(1)

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 30th day of January, 2004, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of LETICIA CHEVEZ BOOKHARDT, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registered according to law within ninety (90) days from date of first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. Witness my signature, this 30th day of January, 2004.

FRED B. BOOKHARDT JR.,
EXECUTOR OF THE Estate of
LETICIA CHEVEZ BOOKHARDT, Deceased

FAVRE, GENIN & SCARFIDE
Attorneys at Law
P O Box 70
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
228-467-5481
02/05; 02/12; 02/19/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT

OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

MARCO D. CONERLY, SR.

CAUSE NO. C2301-04-096(3)

ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 5 day of February, 2004, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Marco D. Conerly, Sr., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This 5 day of February, 2004.
(SEAL)

TAYONAT CONERLY
Administratrix of the Estate of
Marco D. Conerly, Sr.
02/12; 02/19; 02/26/04

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INVESTMENT PROPERTY (FORECLOSURE SALE)

The following property will be sold for cash at public auction to the highest bidder on February 23, 2004, commencing at 11:00 a.m.

Property address: 1003 Rue DeLasalle, Waveland, MS. (3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath Brick Veneer)

The sale will be held at the North front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in the city of Bay St. Louis, MS. For complete legal description and details of the sale, please refer to the legal section of this newspaper.

For more information, please contact Carol M. Cowart, Community Development Manager at (228) 831-0881, ext. 4 or 12238 Ashley Drive, Gulfport, MS 39503.



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FRENCH DOORS look out onto a beautiful, private, peaceful yard of this 3 Bd., 2 Ba home of approx. 2,300 sq. ft. Large den with fireplace, home features terra cotta slate, hardwood floors, sunroom, patio, appliances and Jen-Air range. Asking \$149,000(3B3)

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
FIRST UNITED NATIONAL BANK AS TRUSTEE
FOR STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES
CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS
THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 1998-B-2
PLAINTIFF
VS.
RONALD B. COOLEY AND
LESLIE S. COOLEY DEFENDANTS
CIVIL ACTION NO. C2301-03-999-2

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO: RONALD B. COOLEY AND LESLIE S. COOLEY, who are present whereabouts street and post office address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You and each of you have been made Defendant in a civil suit filed by First United National Bank as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation Mortgage Pass Through Certificates, Series 1998-B-2. This Complaint seeks to reform the Deed of Trust executed by Defendants, Ronald B. Cooley and Leslie S. Cooley to WNC Mortgage Corp. The property which is the subject of the deed is situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at the SE corner of the SE1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and extending East along the South line of said Section 30E 660 feet; thence East 990 feet; thence South 396 feet; thence East 220 feet; thence South 396 feet to the place of beginning, and being situated in the SE1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

LESS AND EXCEPT THEREFROM:

Commencing at the SE corner of the SE1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North along the East line of said Section 30E 660 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 220 feet; thence North 260 feet; thence North 220 feet; thence North 260 feet to the point of beginning, and being situated in the SE1/4 of the NE1/4, Section 30, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi.

Defendants other than you in this action are unknown. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response of the Complaint filed against you in the civil action to: Frank Collins, Attorney at Law, Plaintiff, whose address is 4915 I-55 North, Suite 207B, Jackson, Mississippi 39206. Telephone: 601-366-4607. M55R6394. 02/05; 02/12; 02/19/04

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER FEBRUARY 5, 2004. WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED.

Issued under my hand and Seal of Office, this 23rd day of December, 2003.

(SEAL)

Timothy A. Keller, Hancock County Clerk.

P.O. Box 425, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521

BY: D.L. Lee, D.C., Deputy Clerk

T. Frank Collins, Attorney at Law, Plaintiff, whose address is 4915 I-55 North, Suite 207B, Jackson, Mississippi 39206. Telephone: 601-366-4607. M55R6394. 02/05; 02/12; 02/19/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE ESTATE OF HOLLIS JONES, DECEASED

C.A. NO. 2002-118

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF HOLLIS JONES, DECEASED

YOU have been made a Defendant in the petition filed in this court by Erma J. Nilsson, Administrator of the Estate of Hollis Jones, Deceased, seeking to have the Court adjudicate that Erma J. Nilsson is the sole and true heir at law of Hollis Jones, Deceased, and seeking an adjudication of such heirship.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Petition filed against you in this action to Michael E. Patten, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is Post Office Box 113, Poplarville, Mississippi 39470.

Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than thirty days after the 12th day of February, 2004, which is the date of the first publication of this summons. If your response is not so mailed or delivered, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief sought in the Petition.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after said.

This 9 day of February, A.D. 2004.

(Seal)

CHANCERY CLERK

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR

BY: Erma J. Nilsson, Administrator of the Estate of Hollis Jones, Deceased, 02/12; 02/19; 02/26/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL A. LEE, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 2003-798

SUMMONS

TO: Heirs-at-Law of SAMUEL A. LEE, DECEASED

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by SAMUEL W. LEE, Administrator, seeking ADJUDICATION OF THE HEIRS-AT-LAW OF SAMUEL A. LEE, DECEASED. Defendants other than you in this action are Samuel W. Lee and Mavis J. Scardello, who are alleged to be the sole heirs-at-law of the Decedent.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 25th day of March, 2004, at the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse, 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading by you unless you so desire.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 12th day of February, 2004.

(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Clerk

By: Charlene Seal, D.C., Deputy Clerk

P.O. Box 425, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521 (228) 467-5044 02/19; 02/26; 03/04/04

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, on the 21st day of February, 2003, John D. Lulich Jr. and Kimberly B. Lulich, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust, to be recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 743 at Page 728; and

WHEREAS, on the 30th day of October, 2003, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, assigned said Deed of Trust to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 803 at Page 279; and

WHEREAS, on the 20th day of January, 2004, the Holder of said Deed of Trust, substituted and appointed Emily Kaye Courteau, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 812 at Page 329; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 11th day of March, 2004, I will during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described Land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of the North 1/2 of Lot 7, Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and extending West along the South line of the North 1/2 of Lot 7 a distance of 800 feet to a point; thence North 05 degrees East 122.25 feet to the Place of Beginning; thence South 88 degrees 50 minutes West 75.3 feet to a point on the East margin of Marcie Lane; thence North 05 degrees East along said East margin of road 160.0 feet to a point on the South margin of Old Spanish Trail; thence North 88 degrees 50 minutes 00 degrees East along said South margin of road 75.30 feet, to a point; thence South 05 degrees West 160.00 feet to the Place of Beginning.

11.989 Square feet, more or less, and being a part of the North 1/2 of Lot 7, Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 14 West.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 2nd day of February, 2004.

EMILY KAYE COURTEAU

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

2309 OLIVER ROAD

MONROE, LA 71201

(318) 990-2020

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610 Old Spanish Trail, Waveland

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

WHEREAS, on the 11th day of March, 2002, Maurice Mercader, a single person AKA Maurice P. Mercader, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust, to be recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk in and for said County and State; and

WHEREAS, on the 21st day of January, 2004, the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Emily Kaye Courteau, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 812 at Page 449; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 11th day of March, 2004, I will during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described Land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

PARCEL 1, Lot 306, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said City made by E.S. Drake, C.E., and filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on May 1, 1923.

PARCEL 2, 307 intersects the Northern line of Lot 306, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, said point being further described as the point where the line between the Southern line of the aforesaid Lot 345 of said City and Ward; thence South 20 degrees West a distance of 54 feet to the South line of Lot 345; thence North 70 degrees West a distance of 50.4 feet; thence North 20 degrees East a distance of 54 feet to the Southwest corner of the above mentioned Lot 306, thence North 70 degrees East along the South line of the above mentioned Lot 306 a distance of 50.4 feet to the place of beginning. Said land being a part of Lot 345, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

EMILY KAYE COURTEAU, this 4th day of February, 2004.

EMILY KAYE COURTEAU

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

2309 OLIVER ROAD

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Timothy A. Keller, Hancock County Clerk.

P.O. Box 425, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521

BY: D.L. Lee, D.C., Deputy Clerk

T. Frank Collins, Attorney at Law, Plaintiff, whose address is 4915 I-55 North, Suite 207B, Jackson, Mississippi 39206. Telephone: 601-366-4607. M55R6394. 02/05; 02/12; 02/19/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE ESTATE OF HOLLIS JONES, DECEASED

C.A. NO. 2002-118

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This 9 day of February, A.D. 2004.

(Seal)

CHANCERY CLERK

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR

BY: Erma J. Nilsson, Administrator of the Estate of Hollis Jones, Deceased, 02/12; 02/19; 02/26/04

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL A. LEE, DECEASED

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SUMMONS

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Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 12th day of February, 2004.

(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Clerk

By: Charlene Seal, D.C., Deputy Clerk

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11.989 Square feet, more or less, and being a part of the North 1/2 of Lot 7, Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 14 West.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 2nd day of February, 2004.

EMILY KAYE COURTEAU

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

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02/12; 02/19; 02/26; 03/04/04

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WHEREAS, the United States of America, acting by and through the United States Department of Agriculture, is the owner and holder of the following real estate described (s) of trust, securing an indebtedness therein mentioned and covering certain real estate hereinafter described located in Hancock County, Mississippi, said deed(s) of trust being duly recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk in and for said County and State:

GRANTEES: Joseph C. Schultz and Pamela S. Schultz

DATE EXECUTED: November 1, 1995

TRUST DEED BOOK 282 PAGE 283

GRANTEES: Louella B. Culbreth

DATE EXECUTED: December 5, 1990

TRUST DEED BOOK 346 PAGE 616

The indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust dated November 8, 1995 and executed by Joseph C. Schultz and Pamela S. Schultz was assumed by Louella B. Culbreth by Warranty Deed dated August 28, 1990 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 88 at Page 725 and with Assumption Agreement dated December 5, 1990.

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said deed(s) of trust, and the United States of America, as Beneficiary, has authorized and instructed me as Substitute Trustee to foreclose said deed(s) of trust by advertisement and sale at public auction in accordance with the statutes made and provided therefor.

THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the power of sale contained in said deed(s) of trust and in accordance with the statutes made and provided therefor, the said deed(s) of trust will be foreclosed, and the property covered thereby and hereinafter described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the North front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, in the aforesaid County and will sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM) on February 23, 2004, at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described Land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Parcel 1, Lot 306, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said City made by E.S. Drake, C.E., and filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on May 1, 1923.

Parcel 2, 307 intersects the Northern line of Lot 306, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, said point being further described as the point where the line between the Southern line of the aforesaid Lot 345 of said City and Ward; thence South 20 degrees West a distance of 54 feet to the South line of Lot 345; thence North 70 degrees West a distance of 50.4 feet; thence North 20 degrees East a distance of 54 feet to the Southwest corner of the above mentioned Lot 306, thence North 70 degrees East along the South line of the above mentioned Lot 306 a distance of 50.4 feet to the place of beginning. Said land being a part of Lot 345, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

(SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION)

DATE: January 29, 2004

Duly authorized to act in the premises by instrument dated August 21, 1996, and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 88 at Page 725 and with Assumption Agreement dated December 5, 1990.

ALL OF THE WEST HALF OF LOTS 1 AND 2, Block 15, VON DROZKOWSKY'S SUBDIVISION, FIRST LOT OF THE TOWN OF Waveland, Mississippi, as per the official plat of said subdivision recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 103 at Page 1023 and 1024, 01/29; 02/05; 02/12; 02/19/04

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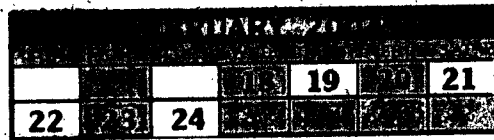
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Feb. 24th is **Flag Day**



Bryan
**Whole Boneless
Pork Loin**
\$1.99
Lb.

Sunnyland 1-Lb.
Sliced Bologna or
Jumbo Franks
4 For \$5

Lake Lanier
Chicken Patties or
Tenders
\$4.99
2-Lb. Bag

USDA Fresh Cut
**Boneless Beef
Chuck Roast**
\$1.99
Lb.

USDA Value Pack Fresh Cut
**Country Style
Pork Steak**.....Lb. **\$1.69**
USDA Value Pack Fresh Cut
**Country Style
Pork Ribs**.....Lb. **\$1.69**
Center Cut
**Smoked
Pork Chops**.....Lb. **\$2.99**
Value Pack USDA Grade 'A'
**Fryer
Wings**.....Lb. **\$1.29**

Carolina Pride Smoked
**Sliced
Bacon** 3 12-Oz. Pkgs. **\$5**
USDA Fresh Cut Boneless Beef
Top Sirloin **\$3.99**
Lb. **Steak**

Select Varieties 1-Lb.
**Hillshire Farm
Smoked Sausage**.....2 **\$5**
Jimmy Dean Seasoned
**Pork
Sausage**.....1-Lb. Roll **\$1.99**
Carolina Pride 14-Oz.
**Cocktail
Smokies**.....2 **\$5**
Carolina Pride 1-Lb. Roll
**Seasoned
Pork Sausage**.....4 **\$5**

Fresh Sweet
Mangoes.....Each **98¢**
Fresh
Coconuts.....Each **58¢**
Chilean Sweet
Peaches.....Lb. **98¢**
Chilean Ripe
Nectarines.....Lb. **98¢**

Let's Go
Tropical
\$1.88

Golden Ripe
Pineapple.....Each **\$2.69**
Fresh Sweet
Kiwi Fruit.....Each **26¢**
Sweet Ripe
Red Plums.....Lb. **98¢**
Chilean Red or White
Grapes.....Lb. **\$1.28**

US No. 1
Russet Potatoes.....10-Lb. Bag **\$1.88**

USA Crisp Large
Iceberg Lettuce.....Head **78¢**

Tropicana Premium
Orange Juice
96-Oz. Btl.
\$3.88

Pillsbury
Grands Biscuits
8-Ct. Can
96¢

Stouffer's
Family Entrees
57-Oz. Pkg.
\$6.99

Health & Beauty Care!
Edge Shaving Gel 7-Oz. Can **\$2.00**
Pepsodent Toothpaste 6-Oz. Tube **99¢**
Lady Speed Stick.....2.3-Oz. Pkg. **\$2.16**
Top Care Cotton Swabs.....300-Ct. Bag **99¢**

Shedd's 3-Lb. Tub Country Crock
Margarine.....3 For **\$5**
Daisy 8-Oz. Cups
Sour Cream.....3 For **\$2**
Assorted Flavors 16-Oz.
Coffeemate.....3 For **\$5**
Freezer Queen Assorted 28-Oz.
Meat Entrees.....2 For **\$5**
Banquet 6-10 Oz.
TV Dinners.....4 For **\$5**

Deli Specials!
Boar's Head
Cajun Turkey.....Lb. **\$5.99**
Boar's Head Colby
Cheddar Cheese.....Lb. **\$3.99**
Home Cooking Golden
Fried Chicken.....16-Pc. Box **\$8.99**
Deli Made
Fresh Daily-King Cakes

Corn Pops, Froot Loops,
Frosted Flakes or Fruit Harvest
Kellogg's Cereals
2 \$5
12-25 Oz. Boxes

Automatic Drip
**Folgers
Coffee**
\$1.69
13-Oz. Bag

Ocean Spray Assorted 64-Oz.
**Cranberry
Fruit Juices**.....2 For Only **\$5**
Great Side Dish!
**Success
White Rice**.....21-Oz. Box **\$2.29**
Great For Sandwiches! 12-Oz. Can
**Bryan
Luncheon Meat**.....2 For Only **\$3**
Trappey's 6-Oz.
**Bull Brand
Hot Sauce**.....3 For Only **\$1**
Shurline 15.5-Oz.
**Sloppy Joe
Mix**.....2 For Only **\$1**
12-Pk. 12-Oz. Cans Sprite, Barq's, Dr. Pepper Or
**Coca Cola
Products**.....2 For Only **\$7**
12-Pk. 12-Oz. Btts.
**Dasani
Water**.....2 For Only **\$7**

Double Roll
**Coronelle
Bath Tissue**
\$1.79
4-Roll Pkg.

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